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PREFACE

This book is written as a replacement to the 1975 Seab book compiled by me. Most of the data gathered for the earlier book was done in the 1950's and came to me by correspondence and interviews with our family members, most of whom are not living today. I was very impressed then by the kind of people they were and the extent of their family knowledge. Most of what they gave me has stood the test of time. My easy success did not prepare me for difficulties encountered later on the many lines I have researched. My regret is that I did not pursue this line to the limit in the 1950's.

The 1975 book was not meant to be the final Seab book. It was meant to be a draft from which research could be done. But as always once it was written, I felt the material in it was too good for me to sit on in Salt Lake City. I had hoped with the book in a few libraries the family would send me more data on their own branches. It is a mystery to me why it does not work this way. Carl Seab (Joseph Marion Seab line) had written that I had the early tradition wrong, but he never sent me his version. In 1975 he was dead and it seemed his story had died with him. (Natalie Myers [Joseph Marion Seab line] has since filled me in with much of what Carl knew.)

Seab is my maiden name and therefore my most important line to research. Living in Salt Lake City, UT where the world's largest genealogical library is located, made me determined to find out all I could. It was not an easy line to work on, but it has been by far the most interesting.

I wish to especially acknowledge the help of my daughter, Margaret Ezell. She gave me her old computer and taught me how to use it, which was no small task. Then finally she formatted the book on her new computer, which is the reason you have an index and the text of the book is so readable and looks so nice.

Many people have helped in making this book possible. They are too numerous to all be named in the book. I am extremely grateful to all. Not all descendants were located. Even though the book is now published for the second time, I solicit additions, changes and corrections.

Mildred Seab Ezell

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ABBREVIATIONS

a	- ante, before
b	- born
bk	- book
bur	- buried
c	- circa or about
co.	- county
CSA	- Confederate States of America
d	- died
dau	- daughter
div.	- divorced
E.D.	- enumeration district
f	- female
Fr.Co.	- Franklin Co.
m	- male
m, md	- married
M.D.	- medical doctor
MS, etc.	- the two-letter abbreviation of the states
p, pp	- page, pages
par.	- parish
R	- range as R2E = range 2 east
Rev.	- Reverend
S	- section as S11 = section 11
SLC	- Family History Library in Salt Lake City, UT
T	- township as T6 = Township 6
v or vol.	- volume

EXPLANATIONS

Census - Federal population census, taken every 10 years. Every 10 years the data given varied somewhat. The data is only as accurate as the person who gave it, as the enumerator who recorded it, as the legibility on the film, as the researcher who interpreted the data and as the typist. Beginning in 1880, the census shows the birthplace of each person named, then the birthplace of the father, and finally the birthplace of the mother as MS, LA, GER. In this instance, the person named was born in MS, his father born in LA, and his mother born in GER. As noted above these recordings of the birth places may or may not be accurate. These three birth places are given on the census for each person named but may not be repeated in this book until there is a change in a birthplace reported. Also, beginning in 1880 the relationship of each member of the household to the head of the household is given.

E.D. - Enumeration district found on the censuses beginning in 1880. They form the most accurate reference for quick location of a name on any census. E.D.8-53 in this book refers to enumeration district 8, page 53 in the district. The other page number listed is the page stamped on, if there is such a number on the census.

The numbering system of each generation begins in each chapter with the first sibling.

1) - First generation

A) - Second generation

a) - Third generation

1/ - Fourth generation

A/ - Fifth generation

a/ - Sixth generation

1// - Seventh generation

A// - Eighth generation

a// - Ninth generation

JOSEPH SEAB, IMMIGRANT

Chapter 1

Joseph Seab, our immigrant ancestor, was born 24 Dec 1809 (gravestone) or 24 Dec 1813 (August Seab Bible record). All U. S. Census records state he was born in Prussia. He died 17 Aug 1872 in his home near Roxie, Mississippi of pneumonia. He is buried in a cemetery that was started by the Aldridge family when they owned the land which was later owned by Joseph Seab, located in the woods just south of the Roxie-Meadville road, directly opposite his home. (This cemetery is designated in the book FRANKLIN COUNTY MISSISSIPPI CEMETERIES by J. Paul Mogan, Jr. and Kathryn Cole Mogan, 1982 as the California [Seab] Cemetery located S11?/T6/R2 about a mile east of Roxie, just south of Hwy 84/98 on Davis' Hill.) He married ***Helena Maria Nienaber*** in Natchez, MS in St. Mary's Cathedral on 6 Jan 1845. Nienaber is pronouced like "knee neighbor", means something like new neighbor in German. She was born 2 Aug 1823, Lindern, Province of Oldenburg, Germany, died 3 Sep 1901 in the old Seab home near Roxie and is buried beside Joseph Seab. She is the daughter of ***Johann Henrich Nienaber*** and his first wife ***Margaretha Wehs (West)***. Helena Maria Nienaber Seab was known in her later life as Mary Seab. She must not be confused with her sister Gesina Maria Nienaber who married Hubert Nicolaus Schnorrenberg and was also known as Mary. See later for more on these families.

Censuses:
1840 Fr.Co.,MS p.157 Joseph Sephe m 1(20-30); 0 slaves; 1 employed in manufactures or trades.

1850 Fr.Co.,MS p20 #298 Joseph Sepe 40 Pedler Prussia; Mary 26 Prussia; August 5 MS; Mary 3 MS; Frederick 4/12 MS

1860 Fr.Co.,MS p255 #139 Joseph Seab 50 farmer real estate $2000 personal estate $7500 Prussia Europe; Helena Seab 35 Oldenburg Europe; Augustus 14 MS; Mary 12 MS; Frederick 10 MS; Louisa 8 MS; Helen 3 MS; Mary 1 MS.

1870 Fr.Co.,MS p84 #1133 Seab, J. 61 farmer and merchant, real estate $2500, personal estate $2000 Prussian, father of foreign birth, mother of foreign birth; H. M. f 47 Oldenburg; A. 24 m farm laborer MS; M. C. 22 f teaching school MS; W. F. 19 m farm laborer MS/ L. 17 f MS; H. M. 13 f; E. 11 f; J. 8 m; A. 3 f.

1880 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.143-69 p25 #407 Seabe, Mary 58 keeping house GER,GER GER; M. H. f 23 dau MS GER GER; M. E. f 21 dau; Joseph 18 son; A. R. f 14 dau MS GER GER, 3 servants.

1900 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.49-13 Beat 1 #197 in the home of Joseph M. Seab: Mary H. Seab mother Sept 1923, 79, wid GER GER GER, year of immigration 1940, No. of years in U.S. 60, can read yes, can write yes, can speak English yes.

From the above census readings Joseph Seab's birth date would coincide more closely with the gravestone reading.

The family of ***Joseph Seab*** and ***Helena Maria or Mary Nienaber*** is as follows:

1. ***August (Augustus) Seab***, b 18 Sep 1845 near Roxie, Franklin Co., MS, d 10 May 1933, Natchez, MS, m in Franklin Co., MS 2 Oct 1872 ***Laura Virginia Hemby***, b 11 Dec 1847 near Vicksburg, Warren Co., MS, d 15 Aug 1931, Natchez, MS, both bur in the Seab-Hemby graveyard, Franklin Co., MS, dau of ***Dennis Hemby*** and ***Lenorah Lee Cain***.

2. ***Mary Catherine Seab***, b 3 Dec 1847 near Roxie, MS, d 17 June 1916 Bogue Chitto, Franklin Co., MS, bur Mt. Zion Baptist Church Cemetery, m 1st in Franklin Co., MS 23 Oct 1870 ***William Aaron Seale***, b 5 Nov 1848, Amite Co., MS, d 26 Jan 1876, Morgan's Fork, Franklin Co., MS, bur in Old Seale Cemetery near Roxie, MS, son of ***Elbert Burton Seale*** and ***Lizetta Van Norman***, m 2nd at Roxie, Franklin Co., MS 12 Dec 1882 ***John Paul Jones***, b 9 Sep 1832, Amite Co., MS, d 8 Aug 1894, Little Springs, MS, bur Mt. Zion Baptist Church Cemetery, son of ***Philip Jones*** and ***Margaret Johnson***.

3. ***William Frederic(k) Seab***, b 11 June 1850 near Roxie, MS, d 15 July 1919, Roxie, MS, m at Percy Creek near Woodville, Wilkinson Co., MS 23 Feb 1875 ***Isadora Adelaide Combs***, b 16 Sep 1858, Percy Creek, MS, d 31 Oct 1907, Roxie, MS, both bur Roxie Cemetery, dau of ***James Anderson Combs*** and ***Harriett Jane Cummins***.

4. ***Louisa Virginia Seab***, b 12 Sep 1852 near Roxie, MS, d 1 Sep 1932 near Roxie, MS, m near Roxie, MS 12 Nov 1874 ***John Lyon Combs, Sr.***, b 29 July 1846, Woodville, MS, d 2 Dec 1927, Roxie, MS, both bur Roxie Cemetery, son of ***James Anderson Combs*** and ***Harriet Jane Cummins***.

5. ***Helena Marie Seab***, b 12 Jan 1857 near Roxie, MS, d 13 Oct 1923, Roxie, MS, m near Roxie 17 Feb 1881 ***William Henry Graves***, b 1858, Franklin Co., MS, d 5 Sep 1924, Roxie, MS, both bur Union Baptist Church Cemetery, near Whiteapple, MS, son of ***John Quitman Graves, Sr.*** and ***Sicily Mississippi Darsey***.

6. ***Mary Elizabeth Seab***, b 17 Feb 1859 near Roxie, Franklin Co., MS, d 8 Jan 1949, Jackson, MS, m in Franklin Co., MS 6 Jan 1881 ***Iverson David Hunt***, b 16 May 1853, Amite Co., MS, d 31 Aug 1933, Roxie, both bur Roxie Cemetery, son of ***Henry Fitzmaurice Hunt*** and ***Lou Cynthia Faust***.

7. ***Joseph Marion Seab***, b 9 Apr 1862 near Roxie, MS, d 24 July 1940 near Roxie at the old Seab homeplace, m at Whiteapple, Franklin Co., MS 11 Dec 1890 ***Emma Virginia McMillan***, b 1 Feb 1865 Whiteapple, d 25 June 1942 near Roxie, MS, both bur Roxie Cemetery in Roxie, MS, dau of ***Monroe McMillan*** and ***Martha Benton***.

8. ***Elen R. (or Elenor) Seab***, b 20 July 1864 near Roxie, MS, d 15 Oct 1865, bur in the Seab Cemetery near her home.

9. ***Alice Roena Seab***, b 23 Sept 1868 near Roxie, MS, d 3 Aug 1916 Franklin Co., MS, m in Franklin Co. 22 Dec 1885 ***John Quitman Graves, Jr.***, b 22 Sep 1862, Franklin Co., MS, d 9 July 1916, Roxie, both bur Old Union Baptist Church Cemetery in Franklin Co., son of ***John Quitman Graves, Sr.*** and ***Sicily Mississippi Darsey***.

Not much is known of Joseph Seab in the early years of his life. His parents and birth place in Prussia have not been proven. Tradition in the family (unwritten stories handed down by the family) are similar and are all we have at this time. Carl Seab (son of Joseph Marion Seab) claimed

he knew much concerning the Seab origins but never made any record before he died. He said the original name was Siebachorlin(e). The German genealogist at the library in Salt Lake City said that was not correct. This name was the way in German you would say "Seab family line". In the many German records and books I have examined, I have never found the family name Siebachorlin.

He ran away from his home in Prussia when he was about to be drafted into military service. It was not unusual for men to leave Prussia for this reason because of the harsh, autocratic rule practiced by this army. His age 14 seems a little young (though one account claimed he was 11 or 12) when he left home. Men were called into military service in this country at about 16 or 17 years of age. He stowed away in an apple barrel on a ship headed for New York City. The genealogist in the library at Salt Lake City, born in Germany, said this would not have happened. The passenger lists of ships arriving from Germany to NY were examined and he was not identified though some of the lists were faded to illegible on the film. Though it was required by U. S. law that, beginning about 1810, these lists be preserved, it cannot be stated he did not arrive with his name recorded as a few lists were lost or his name had faded out. Some of these lists made a record of the ones who died enroute, but I do not ever remember seeing anyone recorded as a stow-away. On landing in New York he found employment on the railroad, building the line from New York to Chicago. When he had earned enough money to buy team, wagon and merchandise, he started peddling. One account says he came into Natchez on a steamboat. If so, why did he head for Natchez and elect to settle in rural Franklin Co., MS? And if so, his peddling was probably done only in Franklin Co., MS.

There was no record in Franklin Co., MS where a Joseph Seab, minor, was endentured to anyone. The first record I have found for him was the 1840 Franklin Co., MS federal census. He could have been somewhere in the U. S. by 1830, but he has not been located on an 1830 census.

He apparently built a cabin in the woods where he lived alone and worked as a peddler. His first land grant of my record is in 1851, but tax digests of Franklin Co. show him owning land in 1841. Tradition says he worked to save money to send for his bride-to-be and her parents. Could Joseph have left as a mere lad many years earlier and made arrangements for a bride, whose parents could only remember a very young lad? It seems more logical that he immigrated near 1840.

Certainly her parents were very much involved in the wedding plans. Helena Maria was quite young at the time Joseph left his Prussian home. It was a momentous decision on the part of the Nienabers as her father sold his small property before leaving Lindern. The first migration of the Nienaber family included Helena Maria, her father, his second wife and their baby. They probably had Joseph's promise before they left that he would send for the entire family.

Tradition said she came with her parents and their twin babies, the mother and babies dieing enroute, arriving in New Orleans, LA. The passenger list was found for them which proved there was only one baby but no notation was made of their deaths which does not mean they did not die as the Master of the ship was primarily interested in having collected his fee for their passages. They did not stay in New Orleans but came on to Natchez which was shown as their destination.

Some side lights on finding this passenger list. I have often wondered why I spent several months searching these lists. The films were negative which made them hard to read and the German

names all foreign to me. These lists usually gave little information--such as, they left Germany and headed for the U. S. with only a list of the passenger's names. But at the time I was searching the lists, I did not have her father's name. I had read through the passenger lists several times backwards from the 1845 wedding date with no luck and had given up the search when I decided to look in one film again. Deciding the most likely date, I slowly started reading again and this time I found it! All the lists were in one single column per page except where our family was found. On the last page, probably because there was not another form, the Master of the ship had made a double column and the Nienabers were on the inside column. This list was an extremely lucky break because not only the names of the passengers were shown, but also their ages, the name Lindern from which they moved and that their destination was Natchez!

The father's name was Joh. Hinr. Nienaber. I quickly made a photo copy from the film, ran upstairs to the German section and in my extreme excitement over my find and I am sure in my heaviest southern drawl, asked if his name was John Henry. He looked at it a few minutes, then, because he apparently thought I had insulted the whole German race, stood up tall, puffed out his chest and said in a booming voice "His name is Johann (Yo-han) Hinrich Nienaber". I have on many occasions in thinking about it found this extremely funny.

Though there were more than one Lindern in the Province of Oldenburg, the German genealogist steered me to the correct one and pointed it out on the map for me. They sailed from Bremen, Germany on the Bark Johanna, arriving in New Orleans June 20, 1842. To cross the ocean then took 2 to 3 months. Sanitation was unheard of then and the food poor so that many died enroute or soon after arrival. Photo copies of many of these records can be found in this book.

The passenger list for the second migration of her family was never found and was apparently lost. The Seabs did save money, however, and all the children were transported. This will be discussed in a later chapter.

As the Genealogical Library in Salt Lake City, UT had no records for Lindern, Germany, it became necessary to hire the research done in Germany. The librarians did assist me in locating a genealogist. This will be discussed in a later chapter.

Helena Maria Nienaber and her parents arrived with others of her relatives from Lindern on June 20, 1842. She and her relative ***Mary Catherine Angela Rulander*** worked at a tavern in Meadville, MS for ***John David Washaw*** before the Seab marriage which did not occur until Jan. 1845. Maybe she felt she was too young to plunge so quickly into marriage but she also probably wanted to become acquainted with old Joseph. It is possible also that Joseph, living alone in the woods, also needed a few corners polishing off. Her cousin Mary Rulander eventually married John David Washaw. For more details see in a later chapter.

They were married in St. Mary's Cathedral in Natchez which had been built in 1843. It then consisted of rough, unplastered walls, shingle roof, crude floors and the most primitive furnishings with its huge windows boarded up. It was not until 1858 that work was once again started on the Cathedral. From a leaflet printed by St. Mary's Cathedral in Natchez. Natalie Myers (Joseph Marion Seab descendant) wrote that Joseph Seab took her by wagon to Natchez for the ceremony.

The civil record of his marriage is recorded in Adams Co., MS Marriage Bk C p.682 and shows the license was issued 6 Jan 1845, Sigmind Stettheimer his bondsman. Joseph Seib to Maria H. Ninober, the ceremony performed by W. A. Blankinsop. The Stettheimers were in the wholesale business in Natchez with their main business in New York City. They were Jews.

Joseph Seab was apparently still very fearful that the long arm of Prussia would reach across the ocean and grab him for military service. This, I understand, was typical of many from Prussia. It was probably the reason for a number of queer things that happened concerning him.

The record of his marriage made by St. Mary's Cathedral was not typical of the other records. I do not have a xerox of this record because the church had no copier facilities. In the margin of the records was always written the word "mixed" if one of the parties was not Catholic. Since the word mixed was missing in our record, it could be assumed Joseph was Catholic but in this case, I am not sure.

All these records gave the full names of the parents of each party to be married which included the maiden name of the mother. Not so, Joseph's record. It showed the names only of the parties getting married. Was this another attempt of Joseph to hide his family's origins?

The record shows in St. Mary's Cathedral in Natchez as, for the year 1845: Joseph Seib and Maria Ninober. On the sixth day of January I joined in the bond of matrimony according to the rite of the Catholic Church Joseph Seib and Maria Ninober, in the presence of Girard Ruhlander and Catherine Warsaw. /s/ W. A. Blankinsop.

It was required by law that immigrants be naturalized in order to own property. The way this was accomplished in MS, the foreigner first went to Circuit Court and made a Declaration of Intention to become a citizen. It was then required by law that he wait one year to be naturalized. Most became naturalized almost to the day one year later. It was in the Declaration of Intention where the applicant was required to denounce his allegiance to the king or ruler of whatever Province he had left. This is the important record for genealogists. Not so with Joseph Seab. He was naturalized on 17 Sep 1849 in Franklin Co., MS in which he stated he had filed his Declaration of Intention in Adams Co., MS 21 May 1846. I searched the courthouse records of Adams Co. backward and forward from that date and no Declaration of Intention for Joseph Seab was found. Others had declared their Intention on this date. I searched some in the loose papers in the basement but was assured by the clerks the paper was not there and had Joseph Seab filed such a paper it would have been recorded. The published index of these papers did not show a record for Joseph Seab. Again, was this another strategy on Joseph Seab's part to hide his origins?

The copier at the courthouse in Franklin Co., MS was not working at its optimum the day I was there and so I type this record here, an Order, 17 Sep 1849, recorded in the Minutes of the Circuit Court, pages unnumbered.

> Be it Remembered that on this the seventeenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty nine Joseph Seib a native of Prussia at present residing in the County of Franklin and State of Mississippi comes into Court here and prays to be admitted to become a citizen of the United States and files in Court a duly authenticated certificate of his having filed his declaration of intention to become a citizen of the United States in the Circuit Court of the County of Adams in the State of Mississippi on the twenty first day of May in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty six And it having been satisfactorily proven to the Court

thus the said Joseph Seib has resided in the United States for more than five years last past and that he had been a resident of the State of Mississippi for more than five years last past that he has behaved as a man of good moral character attached to the principles of the constitution of the United States and will dispose to the good order and happiness of the same And the said Joseph Seib having declared on oath that he has never born any hereditary title or been of any of the orders of nobility in the kingdom from where he came and that he will support the Constitution of the United States And that he does absolutely and entirely renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince potentate state or Soverignty whatever and particularly to the King of Prussia of whom he was a subject.

The Court thereupon admit the said Joseph Seib to become a citizen of the United States.
September Term AD 1849.

Other records were found in St. Mary's Cathedral in Natchez, MS and they too are puzzling. They concern baptisms of the babies of Joseph and Helena Maria or Mary Seab. None was found for the first born August Seab. The sponsors of baptisms are usually relatives or very good friends. The sponsors who were named for our family have never been found on other records, such as census records. Could the census takers have skipped them because they could not understand their English?

The first record was made 24 May 1848. I the undersigned have baptized Mary Catharin (daughter) of Joseph Siep and Mary Siep -born on the 30 December 1847. Sponsors Conrad Mermier and Mary Heals. /s/ B. Baho C.M.

On April 20, 1851, was baptised Gerald Henry, son of Joseph Seip and Maria Seip born June 11, 1850. Sponsors John Gerald Touffle and Catharina Hern. /s/ B. Raho C.M.

The last one Gerald Henry is the son that shows in the Bible record and has been known always as William Frederick Seab. A descendant of this line states he knows nothing of the name Gerald Henry.

They then disappear from these records in Natchez. I learned they started attending church in Brookhaven where some of Helena Maria or Mary Seab's family were. The church books cannot be seen now as the paper they are on has become too fragile to be handled but can be seen in Jackson, MS on film at the Ecclesiastical Affairs Office, Catholic Chancery Building, 237 E. Amite St. Permission must be obtained before making the trip to Jackson from some Catholic authority who knows something about you or some of your family. However, it is doubtful that much can be found of help to us as correspondence from them stated that the death records begin 1883 and marriage records started in 1880.

Joseph Seph showed on the 1840 Franklin Co., MS tax return as a householder, 1 poll, tax 37 1/2 cents. He had no land. 1841 Joseph Seph had 40 acres land valued at $100, paid 1 poll, 75 cents tax. This 40 acres could have been his grant as a new settler within the county but I do not have the record of this grant. Another tax list, date unknown, showed Joseph Seph with 80 acres, value $160 and he a householder.

A number of grants for land was obtained by Joseph Seab. The original papers for these were kept in a safe in the basement of his old home. Today, Murray Seab, descendant of Joseph Marion Seab, has some of them. The papers show they are from the General Land Office of U. S., a certificate of Register of the Land Office at Washington, MS. The grants are:

I Sep 1851	Certificate #6823, Vol. 13, p.484 to Joseph Seeps of Franklin Co., MS 81 50/100 ac, the East half of the NE 1/4 Section 12 T6 R2E in the District of lands subject to sale at Washington, MS. /s/ Millard Fillmore.
1 Sep 1851	No 6824, Vol 13 p.485 to Joseph Seeps of Franklin Co., MS, 40 97/100 ac, the south East quarter of the South East quarter of Section 9, T6 R2E in the District of Lands subject to Sale at Washington, MS. /s/ Millard Fillmore.
1851	Certificate #6826, signed by Millard Fillmore, recorded Vol. 13, p.485 for Joseph Siep.
10 May 1853	Certificate #7977, Vol. 15, p.98 to Joseph Seap of Franklin Co., MS 40 98/100 ac, the North East quarter of the South East quarter of Section nine in T6 of R2E in the District of Lands subject to sale at Washington, MS /s/ Franklin Pierce.
1859	Certificate #9466A, Vol. 18, p.340, /s/ James Buchanan
1859	Certificate #12945, Vol. 23, p.1781, /s/ James Buchanan for Joseph Seip

This list seems to be very incomplete. Probably the most complete list is found in Franklin Co., MS Original Entries volumes. It must be noted that these records show only the first settler on the land, not showing when the land was sold or to whom, nor does it reflect the land that was purchased by Joseph from another individual. This record also illustrates how his name changed until the name Seab was adopted. The first entries are from Vol. 2.

p22 Lots 8,9,10 S7 T6 R2E 142.10 ac Joseph Si(tape) Sep 23 185?
p23 SW SE S9 T6 R2E 40.97 ac Joseph Seip Sep 16, 185(0?)
p23 NE SE S9 T6 R2E 40.98 ac Joseph Seip Feb 14, 1853
p23 S? NE S12 T6 R2E 81.51 ac Joseph Siep Sep 16, 1857
p23 SW NE S12 T6 R2E 81.50 ac Joseph Siep Sep 23, 1854
p23 SW SW S12 T6 R2E 40.76 ac Joseph Seip Dec 17, 1856
p23 Lots 4 & 5 S13 T6 R2E 78.83 ac Joseph Seip Sep 23, 18??
2 names obliterated. Not known if they are Seabs
p24 Lot 12 S13 T6 R2E 39.81 ac Joseph Seip Dec 17, 1856
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p95 SE SE S9 T6 R2 no ac. given Joseph Seap 9-16-1850
p95 NE SE S9 T6 R2 no ac. given Joseph Seap 2-14-1853
p97 E NE S12 T6 R2 no ac. given Joseph Seap 9-16-1850
p97 W NE S12 T6 R2 no ac. given Joseph Seab 9-23-1854
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p97 Lots 4 & 5 S13 T6 R2 no ac. given Joseph Seab 9-23-1854
p97 Lot 12 S13 T6 R2 no ac. given Joseph Seab 12-17-1856

The old German Bible of Joseph Seab has recently been found. It was possessed by Emma Pauline Wood Farr. Since her death, her daughter Nennie Ruth Farr Thompson gave the Bible to Natalie Myers who has since presented it to Murray Seab of Natchez. Except for a few notations which are mostly illegible, no family data is in the Bible. See at the end of this chapter for a xerox of a few pages from this Bible.

The old August Seab Bible, copyright 1867, was in the possession of Will Seab, late of 639 Glenmore, Baton Rouge, LA and is the only Joseph Seab Bible data I have found. For a xerox of this record, see in August Seab chapter. It reads:

Births
Joseph Seab, December 24, 1813
Mary Seab, September 15, 1822
Augustus Seab, September 18, 1845
M. C. Seab, December 3, 1847

F. W. Seab, June 11, 1850
Louisa Seab, September 12, 1852
H. M. Seab, January 12, 1857
Elizabeth Seab, February 17, 1859
Joseph M. Seab , April 9, 1862
Elen R. Seab, July 20, 1864
Alice R. Seab, September 23, 1866
Mary Lenorah Seab, daughter of Augustus Seab and L. V. Seab b December 12, 1873
Annie May Seab born October 29, 1875
Joseph Dennis Seab born December 22, 1877
James Fredrick Seab born August 24, 1879
Cate L. Seab, born July 6, 1881
Will Augustus Seab born November 16, 1883
Charley Pat. Seab born October 1, 1885
Jhoney Hemby Seab born December 29, 1887
Laura Virgil Seab born January 10, 1890

Deaths

Elen R. Seab October 15, 1865	
Joseph Seab August 17, 1872	Overton Watson Seab
Mrs. Mary Seab, September 3, 1901	April 13, 1954
Mrs. Kate Jones, June 17, 1916	Katie Lue Seab Peale
Mrs. Alice Graves August 2, 1916	April 8, 1955
Nora Seab, July 10, 1923	May 21, 1967
Jhony Seab, September 27, 1898	May Seab Latham
James F. Seab, April 15, 1919	May 20, 1967
Frederick Seab, July 15, 1919	Jan. 11, 1968
Laura Hemby Seab, August 15, 1931	Willie A. Seab
August Seab May 10, 1933	Jan. 9, 1968
Joseph M. Seab, July 23, 1940	
Janie Paxton Seab, May 28, 1948	
March 15, 1953 (? ME)	
Joe Dennis Seab, February 20, 1953	
Charley Pat Seab, March 11, 1953	

Marriages
M. C. Seab to W. A. Seales, October 23, 1870
Mr. Augustus Seab to Miss L. V. Hemby, October 2, 1872
Miss Louisa Seab to Mr. Jhon. Combs, November 12, 1874
Mr. William F. Seab to Miss I. A. Combs, February 23, 1875
Miss Elizabeth Seab to Mr. J. T. Hunt, January 6, 1881
Miss H. M. Seab to Henry Graves, February 16, 1881
Miss Alice Seab to Jhoney Graves
Katie Lou Seab to Augustus Peale, June 6, 1906
Lee Nora Seab to Oliver Claughton, June 30, 1908
Joseph D. Seab to Effie McMillian, January 17, 1909
Willie Augustus Seab to Janie Paxton, October 12, 1910
Charles Patrick Seab to Overton Watson, November 16, 1913
Annie May Seab to Thomas A. Latham, October 30, 1914
Laura V. Seab to Oscar Loflin, December 24, 1916
James F. Seab to Mary Wilson, December 8, 1918

The graveyard of the Joseph Seab family located near his home about 3 miles east of Roxie, has been designated in FRANKLIN COUNTY MISSISSIPPI CEMETERIES by J. Paul Mogan, Jr. and Kathryn Cole Mogan as the California (Seab) Cemetery located a mile east of Roxie S11?/T6/R2. Mrs. Elsie Seab Woodyear of Roxie (William Frederic Seab descendant) wrote that this land is now

owned by Paul Green & Son, Realtors in Natchez who have built a new road in it which goes very near the cemetery. It has three engraved Seab stones. There is also one adult sunk spot near the Seab graves believed to be the grave of Johann Henrich Nienaber. The stones read:

> Joseph Seab born December 24, 1809, died August 17, 1872
> In memory of/Mary Seab/Born/September 3, 1823/Died/September 3, 1901/Her many virtues form the noblest monument to her memory.
> Elenor Seab daughter of Joseph Seab born July 20, 1864, died October 15, 1865.

Kate Seab Peale had the portraits of Joseph and Helena Maria Seab from which we have photo copies. The original portraits are now in the possession of Kirby Maxwell "Max" Graves of Meadville, MS, a descendant of Alice Roena Seab Graves.

The old Seab home was built in 1858 with the dining room and kitchen being built later and is still standing. A newsarticle featuring the old home was published in the Franklin Advocate and Clarion Ledger on July 16, 1972. Natalie Myers said it is essentially correct except that they hid the money, silver, other valuables and the children away from the home as they had heard and expected it to be burned. The article reads:

> OLD SEAB HOUSE HAS LONG HISTORY, by Mary Lou Webb.
> The little boy crouched very still beneath the staircase as the sound of horses came over the hill and pulled up beneath the trees in the big front yard. More than once he almost fell asleep before he heard his mother's voice and felt her gently lift him up in her arms. "It's all right now, son. The soldiers are gone." The little boy must have smiled and thought to himself: "Those Yankees aren't so smart. They didn't find me." Mrs. Nenie Seab Miller enjoys telling the story about her father being hidden from the northern soldiers during the Civil War. And she is especially proud that she can show his hiding place to guests who visit her home.
> The Seab house near Roxie was built long before the Civil War by Joseph Seab, who came to America to escape compulsory service at 18 in the German army. "He just didn't want to be a soldier," says his granddaughter. "So he escaped to this country. It took him three long months on the ocean to get here."
> Mr. Seab sent for his young wife after he had made a home for her here. And together they built their holdings into several hundred acres which they farmed with slave labor. The large old home was completed except for the upstairs when the War began to rage in the area.
> From the upstairs windows Mr. Seab was known to look out over his lands and workers with field glasses. "He may have spotted the Yankee soldiers this way," says Mrs. Miller. In the cellar of the home the Seabs had a store, said to be the only one operating between Natchez and Brookhaven at one time. Goods included everything from flour to shoes. "But they finally had to keep the shoes upstairs in the house," related Mrs. Miller. "It got too damp for them in the cellar." Mr. Seab would take his wagon to Natchez to buy merchandise for the store, usually bringing back a month's supply. "My grandparents spent the night going and coming on the road. That's how long it took from Roxie to Natchez." On the walls in the cellar the Seabs "kept books" and even today the amount owed by several customers and date of payment can still be read. Mrs. Miller says there were even things for children in the store. "A man told me years later that he once bought a nickle doll from my granddad."
> Also on the place Mr. Seab had a grist mill and a gin drawn by horses. "I can remember great big rolls of cotton coming out of that gin and playing in it after I got home from school," recalls Mrs. Miller.
> Mr. Seab died in his '60s with pneumonia, "Mainly," says Mrs. Miller, "because he wouldn't stay in bed." She barely remembers her grandmother who died in 1901.
> She used to keep prunes in her wardrobe and she would give me two or three whenever I would go in to see her. She would get out of bed to give me those prunes."
> Today the homemade doors, the giant sills, and the strength of the old house stand against the weather and show no signs of giving in. "I just use the old cellar for storage now, mostly for my canned goods. It never freezes down there," says Mrs. Miller, adding, "It sometimes does upstairs."
> The old house with all its rooms and secret places would still be a marvelous haven for little boys. And sometimes when the wind blows through the house, the sound of Yankee horses can be heard, and a little voice beneath the stairs says, "Those Yankees aren't so smart."
> End of the newspaper article.

May Seab Latham wrote on June 18, 1954 "Grandma Seab's folks lived near the Lehmann's and they were friends before coming to America." The Lehmanns ran the post office called Oldenburg which was not far from Hamburg, MS or where August Seab's home was. Correspondence with E. W. Lehmann at the University of Illinois, Urbana, IL revealed that he had the record of his German family but he knew nothing further except what he himself remembered of his own generation concerning the Seab family.

William Hadskey (614 San Antonio, Jacksonville, TX), who wrote HISTORY OF FRANKLIN CO., MS as his Masters thesis, said the Lehmanns were from Eystrup and that Grandma Armenia Volkshausen was from Elsfleth. Hadskey, a grandson of Charles Lehmann, the immigrant, stated his grandfather was born in 1837 in Loningen and that his father was a judge and lived at Eystrup when Charles was a teenager. Charles ran away from home at age 16, went to London, Eng. His father got him back and put him in the Merchant Marines. He jumped ship in New Orleans in 1859. The Lehmanns believe he met Joseph Seab in New Orleans and came back to Franklin Co., MS with him. Mr. Madison Guice needed a person to oversee his slaves in a tan yard and shoe making business and had asked someone going to New Orleans if they saw someone who might want to work to bring him back -- believe it was Mr. Seab. Hadskey wrote in 1991 that he, his wife and daughter were going to a Lehmann family reunion in Oldenburg, Germany June 7. It was to be attended by representatives of their branches in the U.S., Canada, Britain and Germany.

The many deed records in Franklin County for Mary Seab attest to the fact that Mary was a very sharp business woman. The family claims that she was "land poor". The meaning was that she owned so much land that it took all she made to keep the taxes paid. It is said that after her death a bag of gold pieces were left to each of her children. I have two pieces of paper Confederate money that belonged to the family.

The probation of the estate of Joseph Seab is recorded in the Chancery Clerk's office, Franklin Co., MS.

To the Honborable James M. Ellis, Judge of the 19th Chancery Court District. Your petitioner M. C. Seab wife of Joseph Seab decd and Augustus Seab her son would represent with your Honor that they are respectively the wife and Son of Joseph Seab. They would further show that sometime about the 17th of August Joseph Seab died intestate and left an estate of about the value of Ten Thousand dollars. They would further show that a great proportion of the property consists in notes and accounts and some in stock and store goods and that all of the said property is without.. or to manage it and that it will greatly decrease unless some one is appointed by this court to protect the same. .. your petitioner prays that they be appointed..
Sworn to and subscribed before me
Oct. 29, 1872 /s/ Augustus Seab
F. Whitley, Clerk
Administration Bonds and Letters, Bk. C, p.2.

The administration Bond: Know all men by these presents, that we, Augustus Seab, Mary Seab, E. Blucker, W. S. P. Claughton, E. B. Seale, L. L. Hemby and Dennis Hemby and H. Cassedy are held and firmly bound unto the State of Mississippi in the sum of twelve thousand dollars.. dated this fourth day of November 1873. The condition of this bond is, that the above bound Augustus Seab and Mary Seab as administrators of the goods and chattels, rights and credits of Joseph Seab deceased shall..perform..duties required of them. Signed Sealed and delivered in present of Augustus Seab, Mary her X mark Seab, E. Blucker, W. S. P. Claughton, E. B. Seale, L. L. Hemby, Dennis Hemby, H. Cassidy.

From Administrators Accounts Book M, p.232:
Inventory of effects of Joseph Seab decd. as appraised by the undersigned. December 12, 1872.

30 head sheep	1.50	45.00
55 head hogs	5.00	275.00
1 brown mule Ruby		75.00
1 brown mule John		100.00
1 brown mule ?		100.00
7 head cows and calves		126.00
13 head stock cattle	18.00	104.00
3 yoke oxen	50.00	150.00
1 gin stand new		275.00
1 gin stand old		25.00
1 ? mill		100.00
1 gin Reund?		1.00
1 pr. cotton scales		4.00
2 ? picks		1.50
5 pr. ? ?		5.00
6000 lbs. Hay & Fodder		45.00
1 ? ?		10.00
330 Bush corn		330.00
1 Feed Cutter		2.00
1 Kase ?		5.00
1 wheel barrow		4.00
1 wagon complete		125.00
1 ? ?		200.00
3 shovels ?		4.00
9 plows 3.50		31.50
1 doz ?		2.30
75 lbs. wire		22.50
345 yds Rugging		79.00
		2,302.00
1 set carpenter tools		15.00
2 pr. iron ?		2.00
1 ?		.50
1 Set Charm?		25.00
1 ? cement		3.00
12 yds. Rugging		2.40
10 Bush shelled corn		10.00
30 Bush cow peas		60.00
1 cross cut saw		5.00
4 pr. ? 240 lbs.		24.00
1 Bbl. Ruggy		20.00
1 Set blacksmith tools & guns		20.00
4 axes		3.00
Valuation of household and kitchen furniture		
.....of $100.00		50.00
325,000 lbs. cotton		1,400.00
14 bales cotton 6036 lbs. in Natchez		1,086.48
11 bales cotton 4695 lbs. on place		798.15
		5,847.03
Dated December 12, 1872. Signed by E. B. Seale, Leroy B. Jones, A. L. Davis.		
Total amount of store Inventory		4,476.02
Inventory of accounts of Joseph Seab		854.75
1 folding lead table		5.00
1 bureau		6.00
1 clock		5.00
1 Bell screen?		5.00

1 looking glass	2.50
1 bedstead	5.00
1 ? ?	10.00
1 bedstead	25.00
1 bedstead	20.00
1 stove	8.00
1 doz. chairs	9.00
1 stove	35.00
Kitchen safe	5.00
Kitchen furniture	10.00
	150.00
Amount valuation for widow	100.00
	50.00

From Administrators Accounts Book M, p.294: The final administrators account of Augustus Seab and Mary Seab, administrators of Joseph Seab deceased. Made to the Chancery Court of Franklin County of the April Term AD 1874.

The said administrators charge themselves as follows to wit:

The amount of inventory of merchandise June 20, 1873	5,847.03
To amount of Mdse & Accts.	1,900.83
To amt. of Inventory of .. stock return June 20, 1873	3,830.09
To amount of property of all descriptions at time of revision as below by commissioners	
To amt. of cash	1,713.02
The said administrator claims credit by the following	400.00
Amts. of disbursements of the assets of said Estate	12,941.57
By Inventory of Mdse	5,867.03

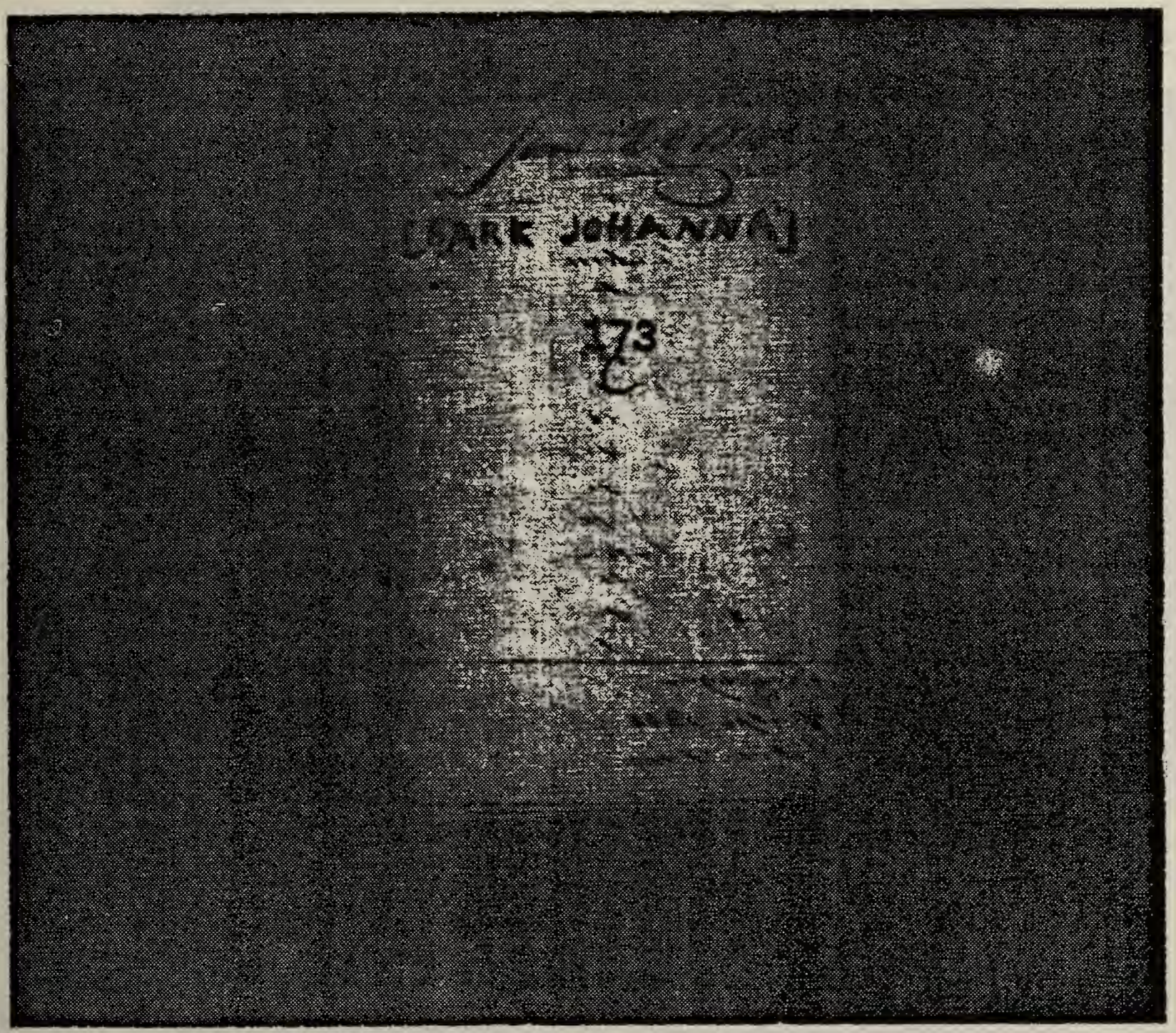
Disbursements of the said estate

By Inventory of Mdse.	5,867.03
Notes & Accts	1,900.33
Personal property	3,830.09
	11,583.95

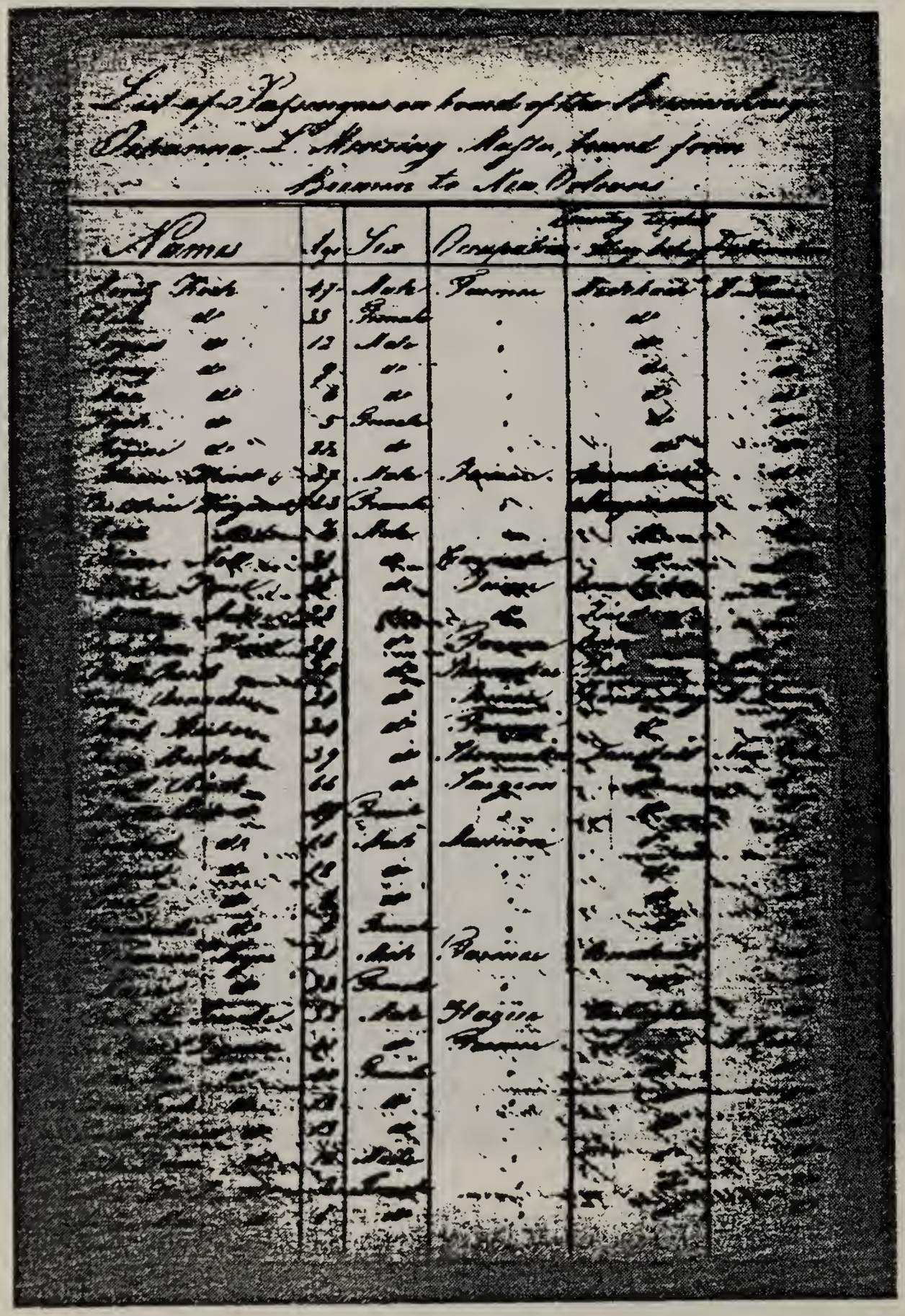
Voucher #13	W. F. Seab	1,493.01
#14	Lou Seab	1,438.92
#15	Kate & W. A. Seale	1,440.21
#16	M. E. Seab	1,400.82
#17	M. H. Seab	1,437.03
#18	N. Seab	1,430.67
#19	R. A. Seab	1,440.39 1/2
#20	A. Seab	1,496.66
Whole amt. paid out		29,832.00
... Received		29,115.57

Residue over administration. Each of adm. rec. 1/8 of amount 417.09
Amount due each adm. 52.3

This is a large estate in the deep south so few years following the Civil War.

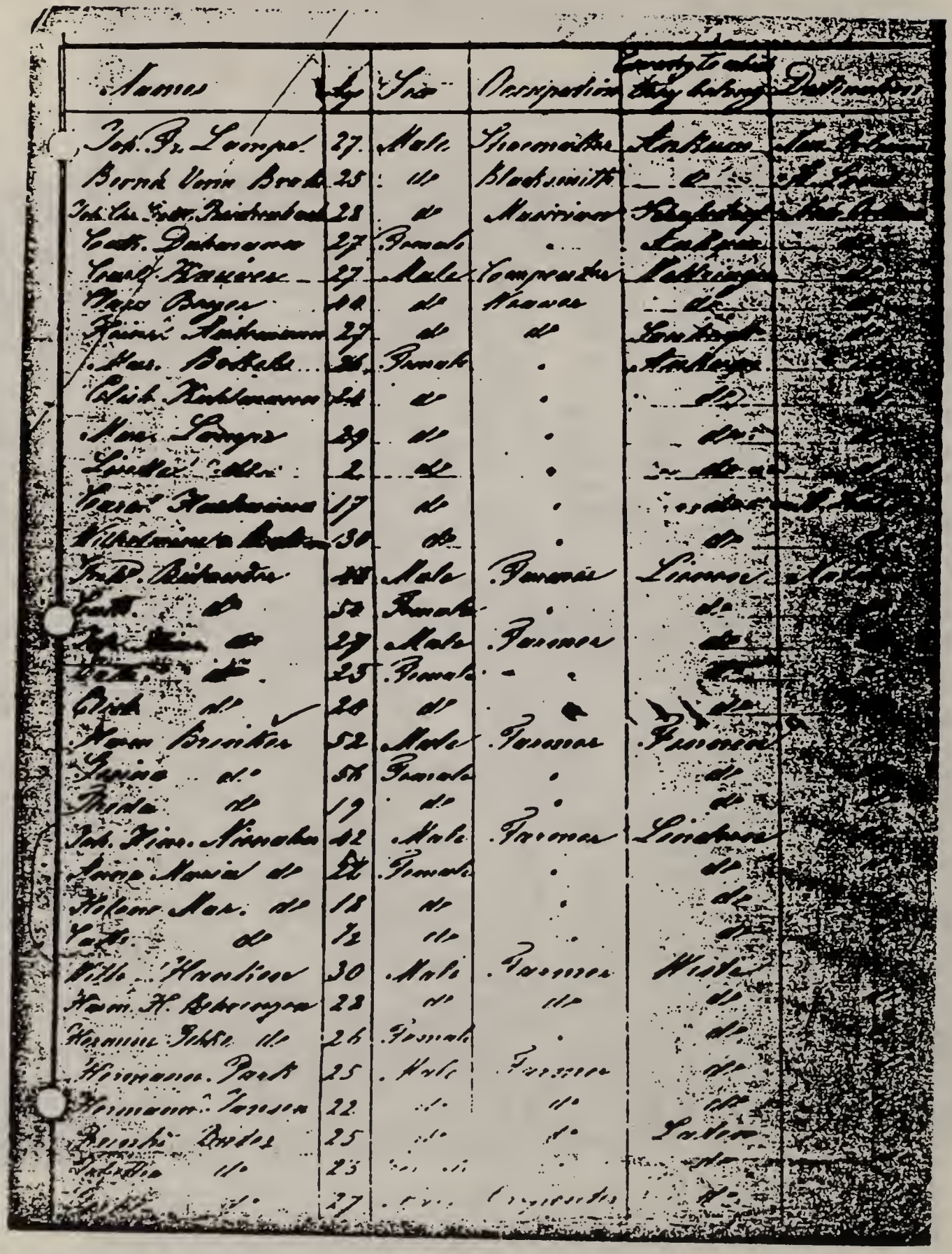


The next four pages are the Passenger List on which our Nienaber family appeared. At the bottom of the last page was written "List of Passengers on board of the Bremen Barque Johanna L. Mensing Master bound from Bremen to New Orleans."



Passenger list continued.

The last page of "our" passenger list. At the end was written "Together 104 Passengers N B Bremen 177 Apr 1842. Man F. T. Winkelhaussen



Names	Age	Sex	Occupation	Exactly to which they belong	Destination
Joh. Fr. Lampe	27	Male	Shoemaker	Ankum	[illegible]
Bernh. Vern Brak	25	do	Blacksmith	do	[illegible]
Joh. Chr. [illegible]	28	do	Musician	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cath. Dahmann	27	Female	.	Ankum	do
Carl Knauer	27	Male	Compositor	Nettringen	do
Clara Beyer	40	do	Weaver	do	do
Heinr. Hartmann	27	do	do	[illegible]	do
Mar. Bokels	26	Female	.	Ankum	do
Elisab. Kuhlmann	24	do	.	do	do
Mar. Lampe	29	do	.	do	do
Lisette do	2	do	.	do	do
Carol. Hartmann	17	do	.	do	[illegible]
Wilhelmine [illegible]	30	do	.	do	do
Joh. Bitzender	48	Male	Farmer	Lienen	[illegible]
Cath. do	50	Female	.	do	do
Joh. [illegible] do	27	Male	Farmer	do	do
Cath. do	25	Female	.	do	do
Elisab. do	20	do	.	do	do
Hann. Brinker	52	Male	Farmer	Fennen	do
Gesina do	56	Female	.	do	do
Theda do	19	do	.	do	do
Joh. Hinr. Nienaber	42	Male	Farmer	Lindern	do
Anna Maria do	22	Female	.	do	do
Helene Mar. do	18	do	.	do	do
Cath. do	12	do	.	do	do
Wilh. Hanken	30	Male	Farmer	Wiste	do
Hann. H. Behrenzen	28	do	do	do	do
Hermine Tebke do	26	Female	.	do	do
Hermann Park	25	Male	Farmer	do	do
Hermann Jansen	22	do	do	do	do
Bernh. Bodes	25	do	do	Laden	do
Tabetha do	23	[illegible]	.	do	do
[illegible] do	27	[illegible]	Carpenter	do	do

The lower right hand corner of the last page of "our" passenger list, enlarged.

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI,
Adams County.

Know all Men by these Presents,

That we Joseph Seib Sigmund Stettheimer [illegible] county, are held and firmly bound unto [illegible] Governor of the state of aforesaid, or his successors in office, in the sum of *two hundred dollars*, lawful money of said state, to which payment well and [illegible] be made to the said governor for the time being, or his successors in office, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators [illegible] and every of us and them, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals, and dated this 6th day of January eighteen hundred and Forty Five.

THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH,

That whereas a marriage is shortly intended to be celebrated between the above bound Joseph Seib and Maria H. Nienaber now if there is no lawful cause to obstruct the said marriage, then this obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of [illegible]

Sigmund Stettheimer

State of Mississippi, Adams County.

To any Judge, Minister, or Justice, lawfully authorized to celebrate the rites of Matrimony—You are hereby Licensed to celebrate the rites of Matrimony between Joseph Seib and Maria H. Nienaber

Given under my hand, and seal of my office, this 6th day of January one thousand eight hundred and thirty five

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI,
Adams County.

In virtue of a License from the clerk of the Probate court of said county, I have this day joined in the holy state of Matrimony Joseph Seib and Maria Nienaber

Given under my hand, this 6th day of January 1845

H. A. Blenkinsop

The civil record of the marriage of Joseph Seab and Helena Maria Nienaber, Adams Co., MS, Book C page 682.

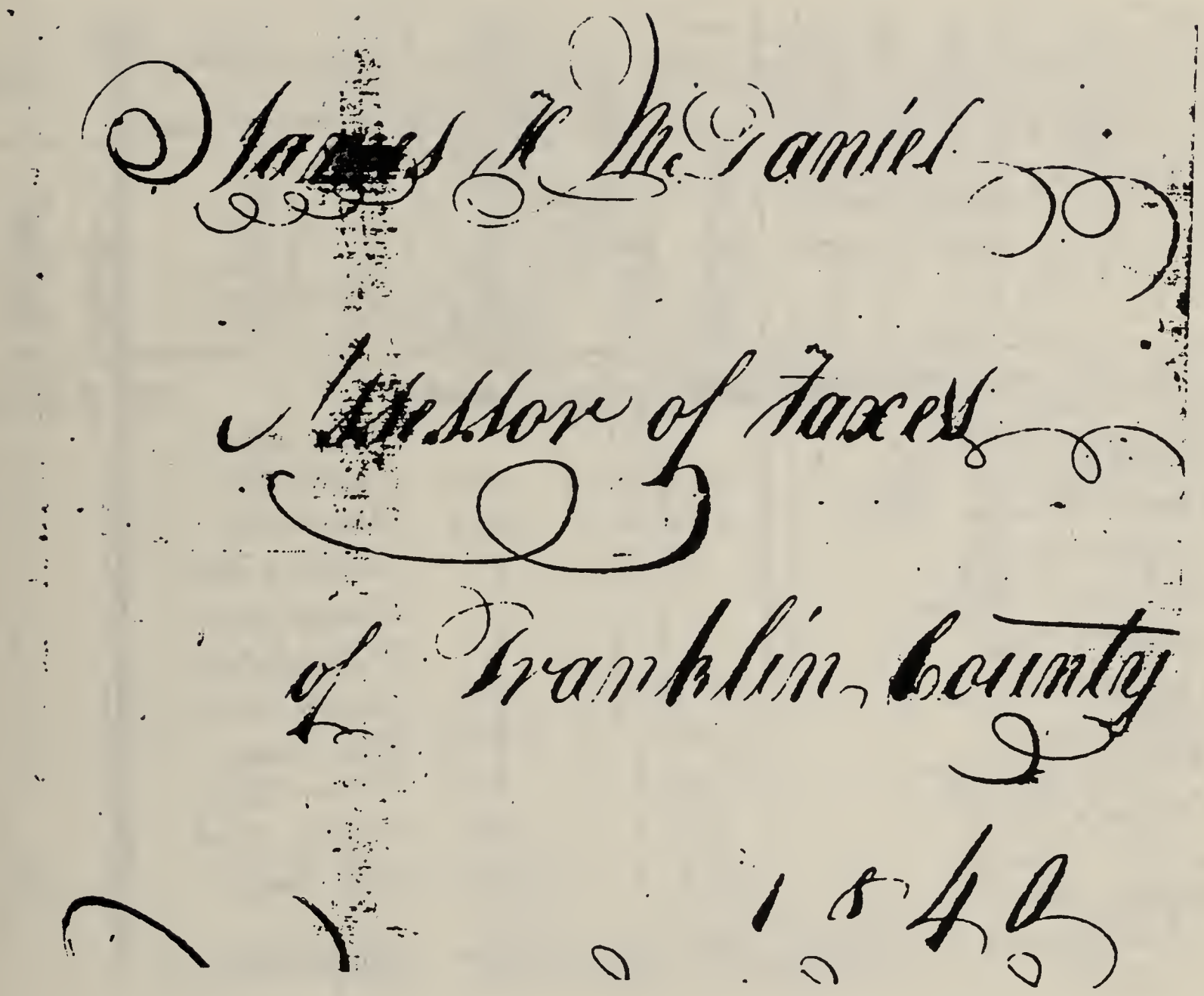
September Term A.D. 1849

[illegible] on this the [illegible] day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty nine Joseph Seab a Native of Prussia at present residing in the County of Franklin and State of Mississippi Comes into Court here and prays to be admitted to become a Citizen of the United States and files in Court a duly authenticated certificate of his having filed his declaration of intention to become a

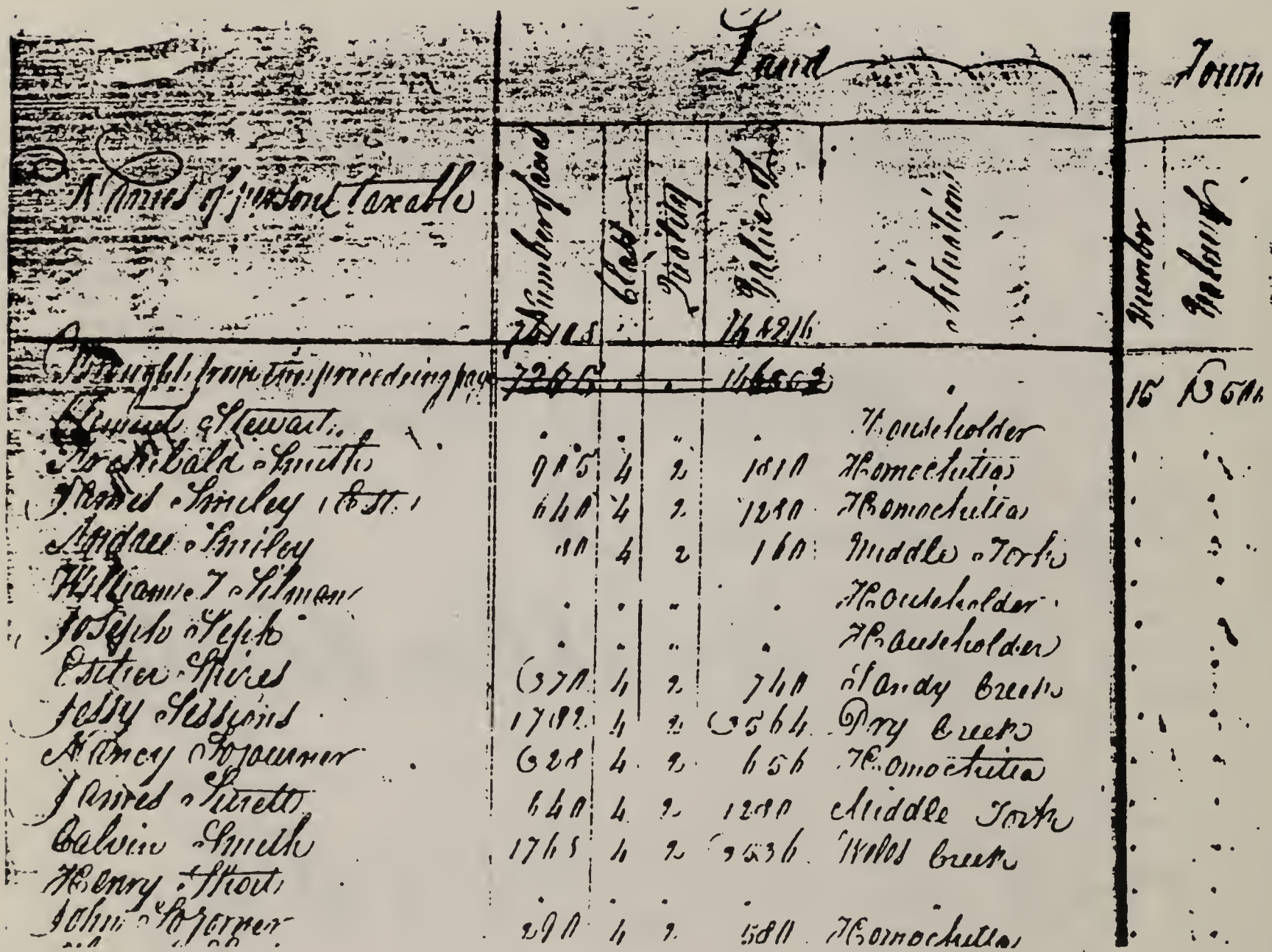
a Citizen of the United States in the Circuit Court of the County of Adams in the State of Mississippi on the twenty first day of May in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty six And it having been satisfactorily proven to the Court that the said Joseph Seab has resided in the United States for more than five years last past and that he has been a resident of the State of Mississippi for more than five years last past that he has behaved as a man of good moral character attached to the principles of the Constitution of the United States and will dispose to the good order and happiness of the same. And the said Joseph Seab having declared on oath that he has never been any hereditary title or been of any of the orders of Nobility in the Kingdom from whence he came And that he will support the Constitution of the United States And that he does absolutely and entirely renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince potentate State or sovereignty whatever and particularly to the King of Prussia of whom he was a subject.

The Court thereupon admits the said Joseph Seab to become a Citizen of the United States

The naturalization record of Joseph Seab, Minutes of the Circuit Court, Franklin Co. MS, an Order, 17 Sep 1849.


James M. McDaniel
Assessor of Taxes
of Franklin County
1840

The next three pages are from the 1840 Franklin Co., MS Tax Digest. The original of this digest is at the MS State Archives, Jackson, MS. NOTE: This is the first Franklin Co., MS Digest on which Joseph Seab's name appears.



Names of persons taxable	Land: Number of acres	Class	Quality	Value of	Situation	Town: Number	Value of
	74105			148216			
Brought from the preceding page	~~7265~~			~~146562~~		15	13500
Clement Stewart					Householder		
Archibald Smith	905	4	2	1810	Homochitta		
James Smiley (Est.)	640	4	2	1280	Homochitta		
Andrew Smiley	80	4	2	160	Middle Fork		
William T. Silman					Householder		
Joseph Sepik					Householder		
Esther Shires	370	4	2	740	Sandy Creek		
Jessy Sessions	1782	4	2	3564	Dry Creek		
Nancy Sojourner	328	4	2	656	Homochitta		
James Sirett	640	4	2	1280	Middle Fork		
Calvin Smith	1765	4	2	3536	Wolf Creek		
Henry Short							
John Sojourner	290	4	2	580	Homochitta		

This page and the next page are to be read across the two pages as if one page.

Town lots			Amount of sales of merchandize subsequent to 15th January 1839 and prior to 15th January 1840	Amount of money loaned at interest	Pleasure carriages		Number of white poll	Number of free men of color	Number of slaves above the age of 5 and under 60	Amount of tax due by each person	
Number	Value of	Situation			Number of	Value of				Dollars	Cents
15	13500		27121	26675	9	2251	265	2	1515	1543	78¼
							1			0	37½
							1		1	9	90
										3	20
									6	2	30½
							1			0	37½
							1			0	37½
									7	5	60½
									43	35	12
										1	64
										3	20
										5	84
							1			0	37½

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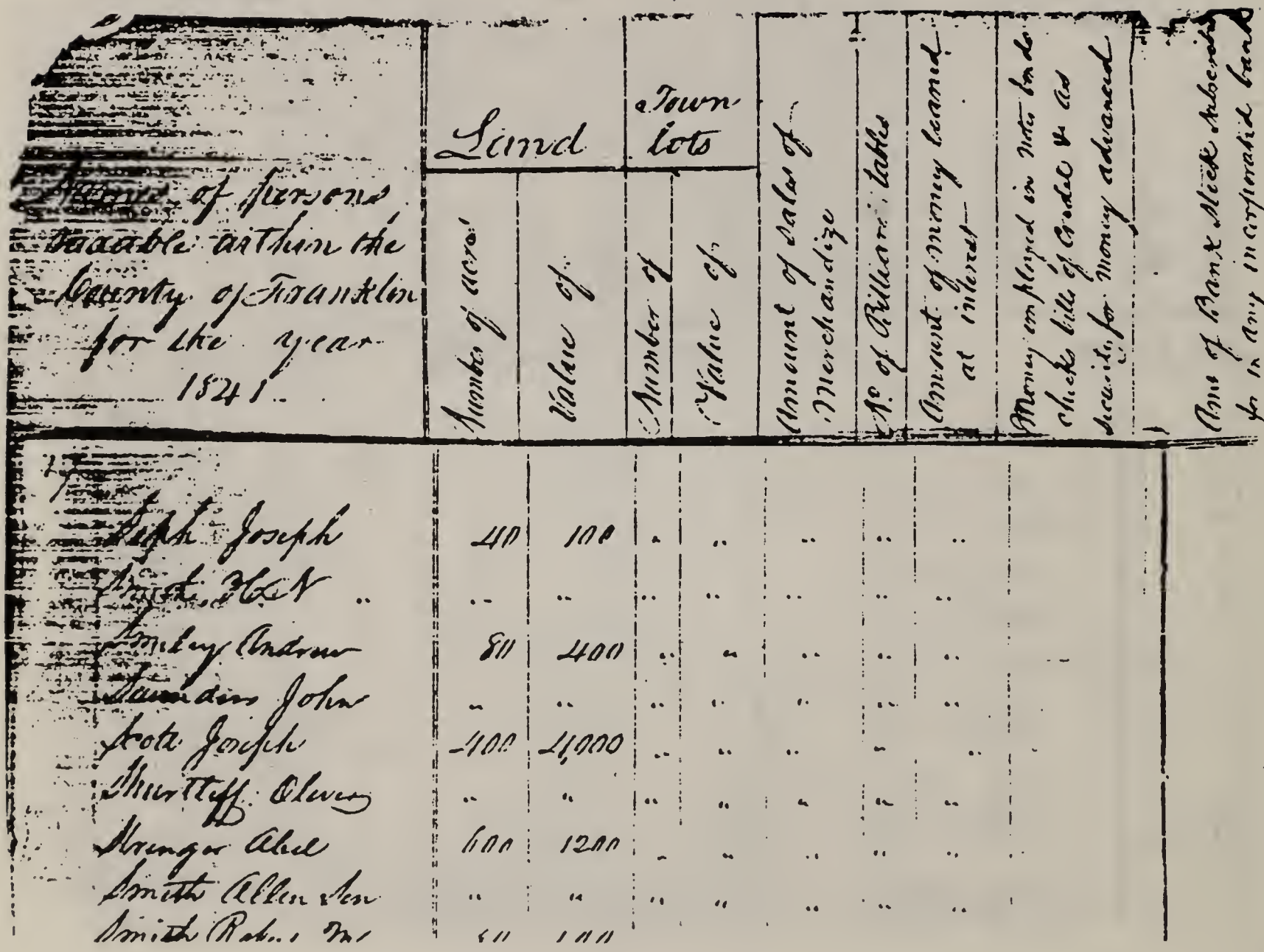

Names of persons taxable within the County of Franklin for the year 1841	Land: Number of acres	Land: Value of	Town lots: Number of	Town lots: Value of	Amount of sales of Merchandize	No. of Billiard tables	Amount of money loaned at interest	Money employed in notes bonds checks bills of Credit & as security for money advanced	Amt of Bank Stock subscribed for in any incorporated bank
Seph Joseph	40	100	..	..	..	..	..		
Smith H. N.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		
Smiley Andrew	80	400	..	..	..	..	..		
Saunders John	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		
Scott Joseph	400	4,000	..	..	..	..	..		
Shurtleff Oliver	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		
Stringer Abel	600	1200	..	..	..	..	..		
Smith Allen Sen	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		
Smith Robert M.	80	100							

Joseph Seph had acquired 40 acres of land between 1840 and 1841. Again no merchandise was sold. Only 1 white poll, tax 75 cents, as now he owned land. Probably, he was building a home and clearing land for planting.

Amt of Bank Stock subscribed for in any incorporated bank	Amt of Merchandise sold at auction or transient vendors of goods	Pleasure Carriages		Watches		Clocks		Number of Bowie Knives	Number of Cattle taxable	Number of White Polls	No. of free Colored Persons	No. of Slaves above the age of 5 years and under the age of 60	Amt of State tax due by each person	
		Number of	Value of	Number of	Value of	Number of	Value of						Dollars	Cents
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	"	"	"	75
"	"	"	"	1	15	"	"	"	"	1	"	"	"	57½
"	"	1	150	"	"	1	60	"	"		1	3	9	30
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	"	"	"	50
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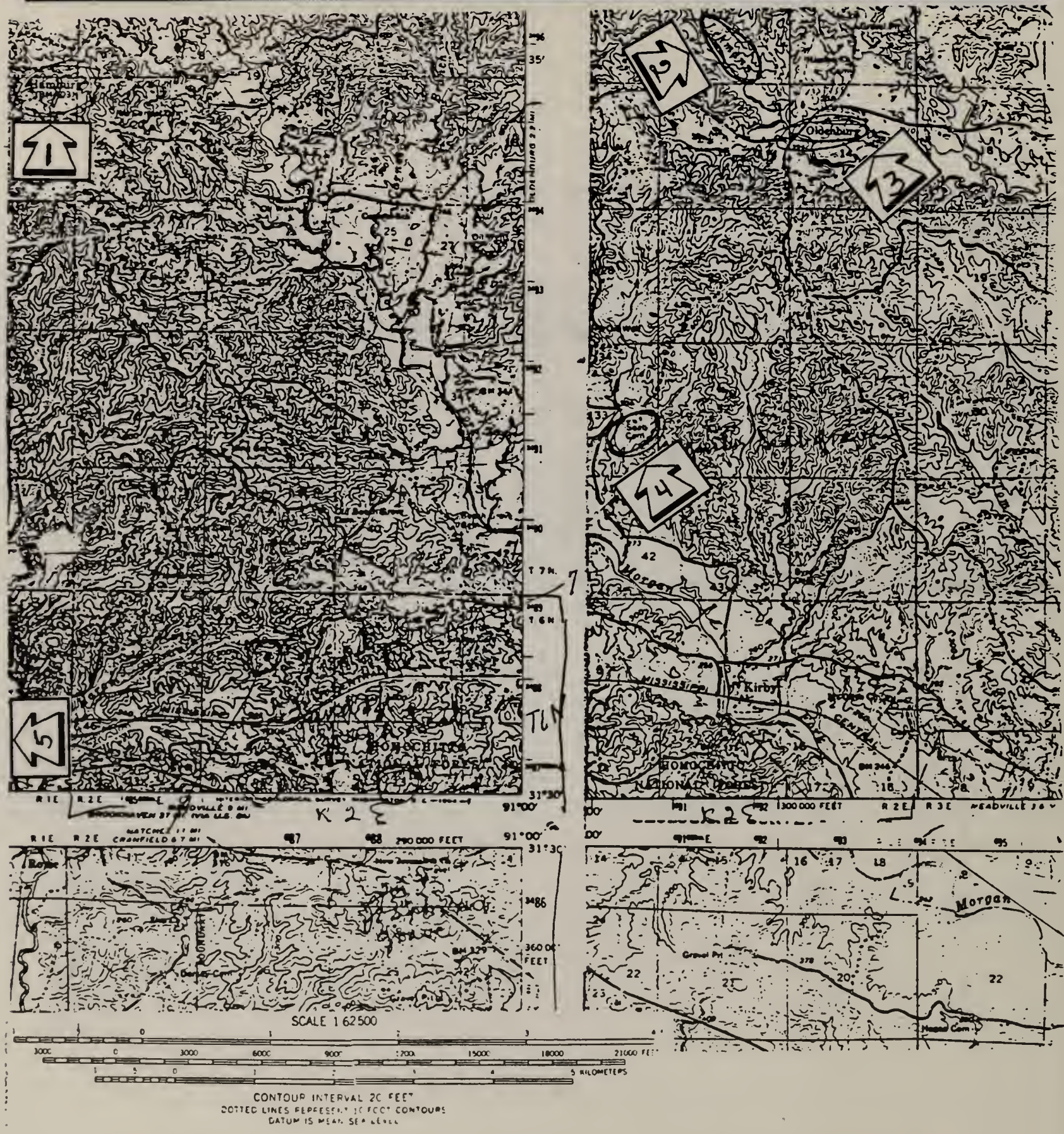

This map, from the Geological Survey, Washington D.C., shows the location of the land of Joseph Seab in Franklin Co., MS, all in Range 2 East and Township 6 north, Sections 7, 9, 12, 13.

1. Hamburg, 2. Lehmann, 3. Oldenburg, 4. Seab (Hemby) Cemetery, 5. Roxie.

2 Wer wird aber den Tag seiner Zukunft erleiden mögen? Und wer wird bestehen, wenn er wird erscheinen? Denn er ist wie das Feuer eines Goldschmieds, und wie die Seife der Wäscher.

3 Er wird sitzen und schmelzen, und das Silber reinigen; er wird die Kinder Levi reinigen und läutern, wie Gold und Silber. Dann werden sie dem Herrn Speisopfer bringen in Gerechtigkeit;

4 Und wird dem Herrn wohlgefallen das Speisopfer Juda und Jerusalems, wie vorhin und vor langen Jahren.]

5 Und ich will zu euch kommen, und euch strafen, und will ein schneller Zeuge seyn wider die Zauberer, Ehebrecher und Meineidigen, und wider die, so Gewalt und Unrecht thun den Tagelöhnern, Wittwen und Waisen, und den Fremdling drücken, und mich nicht fürchten, spricht der Herr Zebaoth.

6 Denn Ich bin der Herr, der nicht lüget. Und es soll mit euch Kindern Jakobs nicht gar aus seyn.

7 Ihr seyd von euren Väter Zeit an immerdar abgewichen von meinen Gebothen, und habt sie nicht gehalten. So bekehret euch nun zu mir; so will Ich mich zu euch kehren, spricht der Herr Zebaoth. So sprechet ihr: Worin sollen wir uns bekehren?

8 Ist es recht, daß ein Mensch Gott täuschet, wie ihr mich täuschet? So sprechet ihr: Womit täuschen wir dich? Am Zehnten und Hebopfer.

9 Darum seyd ihr auch verflucht, daß euch Alles unter den Händen geerinnet; denn ihr täuschet mich allesammt.

10 Bringet aber die Zehnten ganz in mein Kornhaus, auf daß in meinem Hause Speise sey; und prüfet mich hierinnen, spricht der Herr Zebaoth, ob ich euch nicht des Himmels Fenster aufthun werde, und Segen herabschütten die Fülle.

11 Und ich will für euch den Fresser schelten, daß er euch die Frucht auf dem Felde nicht verderben soll, und der Weinstock im Acker euch nicht unfruchtbar sey, spricht der Herr Zebaoth;

12 Daß euch alle Heiden sollen selig preisen; denn ihr sollt ein werthes Land seyn, spricht der Herr Zebaoth.

13 Ihr redet hart wider mich, spricht der Herr. So sprechet ihr: Was reden wir wider dich?

14 Damit, daß ihr saget: °Es ist umsonst, daß man Gott dienet; und was nützt es, daß wir sein Gebot halten, und ein hartes Leben vor dem Herrn Zebaoth führen? °Hiob 21. 14. ff.

15 Darum preisen wir die Verächter; denn die Gottlosen nehmen zu, sie versuchen Gott, und gehet ihnen Alles wohl hinaus.

16 Aber die Gottesfürchtigen trösten sich unter einander also: Der Herr merket es und höret es; und ist vor ihm ein Denkzettel geschrieben für die so den Herrn fürchten, und an seinen Nahmen gedenken

17 Sie sollen, spricht der Herr Zebaoth, des Tages, °den Ich machen will, mein Eigenthum seyn; und ich will ihrer schonen, wie ein Mann seines Sohnes schonet, der ihm dienet. °c. 4, 3.

18 Und ihr sollt dagegen wiederum sehen, °was für ein Unterschied sey zwischen dem Gerechten und Gottlosen, und zwischen dem, der Gott dienet, und dem, der ihm nicht dienet. °r. 4, 1. 2.

Das 4 Capitel.

Von Christo, und Johanne dem Täufer.

1 Denn siehe, es kommt ein Tag, der brennen soll, wie ein Ofen; da werden alle Verächter und Gottlose Stroh seyn, und der künftige Tag wird sie anzünden, spricht der Herr Zebaoth, und wird ihnen weder Wurzel noch Zweig lassen.

2 Euch aber, die ihr meinen Nahmen fürchtet, soll aufgehen die Sonne der Gerechtigkeit, und Heil unter derselbigen Flügeln; und ihr sollt aus- und eingehen und zunehmen wie die Mastkälber.

3 Ihr werdet die Gottlosen zertreten; denn sie sollen Asche unter euren Füssen werden des Tages, den Ich machen will, spricht der Herr Zebaoth.

4 Gedenket des Gesetzes Mosis, meines Knechts, das ich ihm befohlen habe auf dem Berge Horeb an das ganze Israel, sammt den Geboten und Rechten.

5 Siehe, ich °will euch senden den Propheten Eliam, ehe denn da komme der grosse und schreckliche Tag des Herrn. °Matth. 11, 14.

6 Der soll das Herz der Väter bekehren zu den Kindern, und das Herz der Kinder zu ihren Vätern; daß ich nicht komme, und das Erdreich mit dem Banne schlage.

Ende der Propheten.

Das

Neue Testament

unsers

Herrn und Heilandes

Jesu Christi.

Nach Dr. Martin Luther's Uebersetzung.

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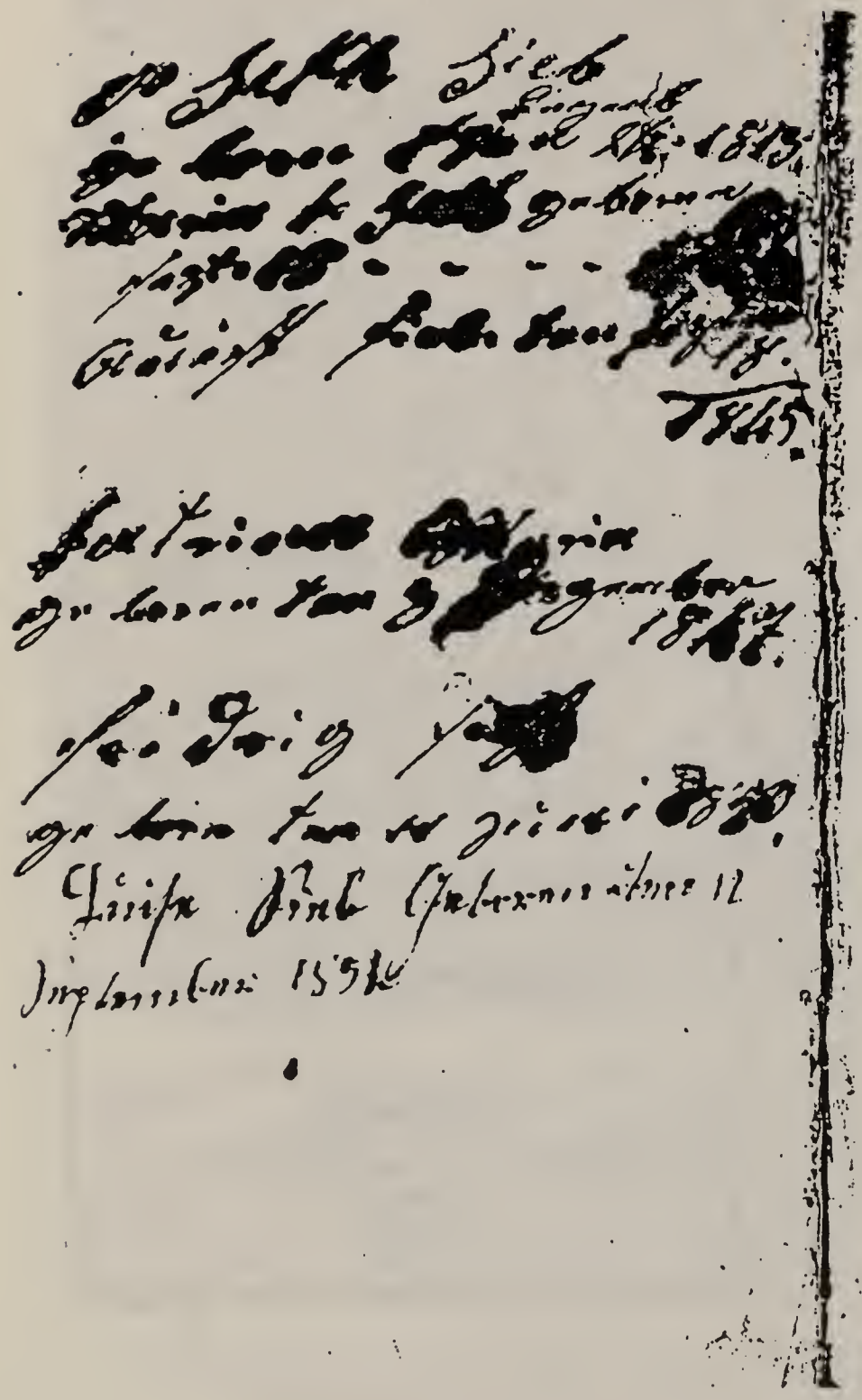

berca, und sie ward sein Weib, und er gewann sie lieb. Also ward Isaak getröstet über seiner Mutter.

Das 25 Capitel.

Abrahams andere Ehe und Tod. Esau verkauft seine Erstgeburt.

1 Abraham nahm wieder ein Weib, die hieß Ketura.

2 Die gebar ihm Simron und Jakſan, Medan und Midian, Jesbak und Suah.

3 Jakſan aber zeugete Seba und Dedan. Die Kinder aber von Dedan waren: Aſſurim, Latuſim und Leümim.

4 Die Kinder Midians waren: Epha, Epher, Hanoch, Abida und Eldaa. Dieſe ſind alle Kinder der Ketura.

5 Und Abraham gab alles ſein Gut Iſaak.

6 Aber den Kindern, die er von den Kebsweibern hatte, gab er Geſchenke, und ließ ſie von ſeinem Sohne Iſaak ziehen, weil er noch lebte, gegen den Aufgang in das Morgenland.

7 Das iſt aber Abrahams Alter, das er gelebet hat, hundert und fünf und ſiebenzig Jahre.

8 Und nahm ab, und ſtarb in einem ruhigen Alter, da er alt und lebens ſatt war, und ward zu ſeinem Volke geſammelt.

9 Und es begruben ihn ſeine Söhne, Iſaak und Iſmael, in der zwiefachen Höhle auf dem Acker Ephrons, des Sohnes Zoars, des Hethiters, die da liegt gegen Mamre,

10 In dem Felde, das Abraham von den Kindern Heth gekauft hatte. Da iſt Abraham begraben mit Sarah, ſeinem Weibe.

11 Und nach dem Tode Abrahams ſegnete Gott Iſaak, ſeinen Sohn. Und er wohnete bey dem Brunnen des lebendigen und Sehenden.

12 Dieß iſt das Geſchlecht Iſmaels, Abrahams Sohnes, den ihm Hagar gebar, die Magd Sarah's, aus Egypten.

13 Und das ſind die Nahmen der Kinder Iſmaels, davon ihre Geſchlechter genannt ſind: Der erſtgeborne Sohn Iſmaels Nebajoth, Kedar, Adbeel, Mibſam,

14 Miſma, Duma, Maſa,

15 Hadar, Thema, Jetur, Naphis und Kedma.

16 Dieß ſind die Kinder Iſmaels mit ihren Nahmen in ihren Höfen und Städten, zwölf Fürſten über ihre Leute.

17 Und das iſt das Alter Iſmaels; hundert und ſieben und dreyßig Jahre; und nahm ab, und ſtarb, und ward geſammelt zu ſeinem Volke.

18 Und ſie wohneten von Hevila an, bis gen Sur gegen Egypten, wenn man gen Aſſyrien gehet. Er fiel aber vor allen ſeinen Brüdern.

19 Dieß iſt das Geſchlecht Iſaaks, Abrahams Sohnes: Abraham zeugete Iſaak.

20 Iſaak aber war vierzig Jahre alt, da er Rebecca zum Weibe nahm, die Tochter Bethuels, des Syrers, aus Meſopotamien, Labans, des Syrers, Schweſter.

21 Iſaak aber bat den Herrn für ſein Weib, denn ſie war unfruchtbar. Und der Herr ließ ſich erbitten, und Rebecca, ſein Weib, ward ſchwanger.

22 Und die Kinder ſtieſſen ſich mit einander in ihrem Leibe. Da ſprach ſie: Da mirs alſo ſollte gehen, warum bin ich ſchwanger geworden? Und ſie gieng hin den Herrn zu fragen.

23 Und der Herr ſprach zu ihr: Zwey Völker ſind in deinem Leibe, und zweyerley Leute werden ſich ſcheiden aus deinem Leibe; und ein Volk wird dem andern überlegen ſeyn, und der Gröſſere wird dem Kleinern dienen.

24 Da nun die Zeit kam, daß ſie gebären ſollte, ſiehe, ſo waren Zwillinge in ihrem Leibe.

25 Der erſte, der heraus kam, war röthlich, ganz rauch wie ein Fell; und ſie nannten ihn Eſau.

26 Darnach kam heraus ſein Bruder, der hielt mit ſeiner Hand die Feeſe des Eſau; und ſie hieſſen ihn Jakob. Sechzig Jahre alt war Iſaak, da ſie geboren wurden.

27 Und da nun die Knaben groß wurden; ward Eſau ein Jäger und ein Ackermann. Jakob aber war ein frommer Mann, und blieb in den Hütten.

28 Und Iſaak hatte Eſau lieb, und aß gerne von ſeinem Weidwerke; Rebecca aber hatte Jakob lieb.

29 Und Jakob kochte ein Gerichte. Da kam Eſau vom Felde, und war müde,

30 Und ſprach zu Jakob: Laß mich koſten das rothe Gerichte, denn ich bin müde. Daher heißt er Edom.

31 Aber Jakob ſprach: Verkaufe heute mir deine Erſtgeburt.

32 Eſau antwortete: Siehe, ich muß doch ſterben, was ſoll mir denn die Erſtgeburt?

33 Jakob ſprach: So ſchwöre mir heute. Und er ſchwur ihm, und *verkaufte alſo dem Jakob ſeine Erſtgeburt.

*Ebr. 12. 16.

34 Da gab ihm Jakob Brot und das Linſengerichte, und er aß und trank, und

This is the only family data found in the Bible. Natalie interpreted this: Joseph Sieb born December 24, 1813; Maria - Sieb born Sept 15 - - - - 1823(?); August Sieb - Sept 18, 1845; _ _ born - 3 Dec 1847; Fredrick (?) Sieb b - 11 June 1850; - - born - 12 - 1851.

AUGUST SEAB

Chapter 2

August (Augustus) Seab, 1st born of Joseph Seab and Helena Maria or Mary Nienaber, was born 18 Sep 1845 near Roxie, Franklin Co., MS, died 10 May 1933, Natchez, MS, married in Franklin Co. MS 2 Oct 1872 (by S. Buffkin, M.G., J. M. Halford bondsman, Fr. Co. 5-202) ***Laura Virginia Hemby***, born 11 Dec 1847 near Vicksburg, Warren Co., MS, died 15 Aug 1931, Natchez, MS, dau of ***Dennis Hemby*** and ***Lenora Lee Cain***. Both are buried in the Seab-Hemby graveyard near Kirby, MS.

1880 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.144-19 p19, Beat 2 #182 August Seab age 34 farmer MS Prussia Holland; Laura V. 32 wife MS MS MS; Lenora A. 6 dau MS MS MS; Mary E. 4 dau; Joe Dennis 2 son; James Fred 10/12 son.

1900 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.50-21 #425 Beat 2 Seab, August Sep 1845, 54, md 27 yrs MS GER GER; Laura wife Dec 1947, 52, md 27 yrs, 9 children 8 living MS MS MS; Nora dau Dec 1873, 26; May dau Oct 1825, 24; Joseph son Dec 1877, 22; James, son Aug 1879, 20; Kate dau July 1881, 18; Willie son Nov 1883, 16; Patrick son Oct 1885, 14; Laura dau Jan 1890, 10.

1910 Fr.Co.,MS, E.D.64-11 Beat 2 p.74 #187 Seabe, Augustus 64 md once 37 yrs MS MS MS; Laura wife 62 md once 37 yrs 9 children 8 living MS MS MS; Joe D. son 32 md once 1 3/12 yrs; F. E. dau in law 29 1 3/12 yrs 1 child 1? living MS MS MS; Edna Earl grdau 5/12 MS.

August Seab and ***Laura Virginia Hemby*** had the following family:

1) ***Mary Lenorah Seab***, b 12 Dec 1873 near Oldenburg, Franklin Co., MS, d 10 July 1923, Tucson, AZ, bur Seab-Hemby Graveyard, Franklin Co., MS, m 30 June 1908 ***Oliver Henry Perry Claughton*** as his 3rd wife, b 27 Sep 1851, d 19 Sep 1927, his will filed 22 Sep 1927 in Franklin Co., son of ***Griffin P. Claughton, Sr.*** and ***Elizabeth A. Tillery***. Nora and Claughton separated.

2) ***Annie May Seab***, b 29 Oct 1875 near Oldenburg, MS, d 20 May 1967, Jackson, MS, bur Roxie Cemetery, Roxie, MS, m in Atlanta, GA 30 Oct 1914 ***Thomas Andrew Latham***, b 14 June 1884, Atlanta, d 30 May 1915, Houston, TX, bur beside his parents in Atlanta, GA, son of ***Thomas Latham*** and ***Alethea Park***.

3) ***Joseph Dennis Seab***, b 26 Dec 1877 near Knox, MS, d 20 Feb 1953, m at Whiteapple, Franklin Co. 17 Jan 1909 ***Frances Eleanor McMillan***, b 20 July 1880, Franklin Co., d 4 June 1962, both bur Roxie Cemetery, dau of ***Howard Windfield McMillan*** and ***Nora Boatner***.

4) ***James Frederick Seab***, b 24 Aug 1879 near Oldenburg, MS, d 15 Apr 1919, New Orleans, LA, bur Seab-Hemby graveyard, Franklin Co., MS, m in Tangipahoa Parish, LA 8 Dec 1918 ***Mary Wilson***, b 1895, Roseland, LA, d north Louisiana. She married 2nd ___ ***Coleman*** and 3rd ***Robert Babin***.

5) ***Katherine Louise Seab***, b 6 July 1881 near Oldenburg, MS, d 8 Apr 1955, m in Franklin Co. 6 June 1906 ***Augustus Welch Peale***, b 4 May 1876, Tensas Parish, LA, d 12 Dec 1945, Natchez, MS, both bur Natchez Cemetery, son of ***Alexander Henderson Peale*** and ***Emily Welch***.

6) ***Willie Augustus Seab***, b 16 Nov 1883 near Oldenburg, MS, d 9 Jan 1968, Baton Rouge, LA, m in Lottie, Pointe Coupee Parish, LA 12 Oct 1910 ***Susan Janie Paxton***, b 22 Jan 1888, Slaughter, Feliciana Parish, LA, d 28 May 1948, Baton Rouge, both bur in Baton Rouge, dau of ***William Johnson Paxton*** and ***Mary Hammond***.

7) ***Charles Patrick Seab***, b 1 Oct 1885 Franklin Co., MS, d 11 Mar 1953, Natchez, MS, m in Arizona, Claiborne Parish, LA 16 Nov. 1913 ***Margaret Overton Watson***, b 4 Apr 1893, Arizona, Claiborne Parish, LA, d 13 Apr 1954, Natchez, MS, both bur Arlington Cemetery, Homer, LA, dau of ***James Reeves Watson*** and ***Maggie Corry***.

8) ***John Hemby Seab***, b 29 Dec 1887 near Oldenburg, MS, d 27 Sep 1898 near Olinburg, MS, bur Seab-Hemby graveyard.

9) ***Laura Virgil Seab***, b 10 Jan 1890 near Oldenburg, MS, d 25 June 1971, Pasadena, TX, m in Franklin Co., MS, 24 Dec 1916 ***Oscar Thomas Loflin, Sr.***, D.D.S., b 14 July 1888, Star, Rankin Co., MS, d 18 Sep 1965, Ferriday, Concordia Parish, LA, both bur Natchez Cemetery, son of ***James Andrew Loflin*** and ***Sue Walker***.

August Seab's home is located in Franklin Co., MS near Oldenburg or Kirby and adjoins the old farm of Dennis Hemby, his father-in-law. When the couple became very aged, they left their home and lived with their daughter, Kate Peale in Natchez, the old place was purchased by his son-in-law Oscar Loflin who left it to his children. Oscar Loflin, Jr. is now sole owner of the place, having bought out his sister's interests. As August's granddaughter, Mildred Seab Ezell remembers, the home was built much on the same plan as the old Joseph Seab place. It still looks much as it did when August lived there. The improvements made by Oscar Loflin, Jr. have been mostly to preserve it: new foundations to replace the wood stumps originally used, tin on the roof to replace the rotted wooden shingles and the low section of the roof in front now gone. The original wide boards of the flooring are still there. Cypress wood, gathered on the place used as siding and for finishing the inside walls is still in place. All out buildings are now gone, including the old kitchen and dining room built separate on the back (as was the custom then), and the food storage building built largely of mud for cool dark storage of vegetables, etc. Changes were made to include a bathroom and "new" kitchen. The chimney fell and cannot be restored as it was because most of the original bricks are now missing.

The old magnolias and oaks still stand in front but most of the daffodils were lost when the ground was levelled. The old pear trees under which Grandpa (August) kept his bees are gone. The spring that used to bubble at the foot of the hill in front of the house has long dried up. There used to be some old apple and wild persimmon trees in the pasture behind the house.

It is said that, as a youth, when August travelled to Natchez with his parents, it took all day by wagon. They camped on Clear Creek on the outskirts of Natchez where they spent the night. They spent the next day in Natchez shopping which included purchasing merchandise for his

father's store. They would spend the second night at the same camp site. The third day was taken returning home.

August Seab was attending Jefferson Military Academy with some of his brothers at Washington, MS when the Civil War broke out. His pension record shows he was in Co. C, Third Regiment, MS Cavalry. As far as I know, he was the only Seab who fought in the Civil War, the others possibly too young. He was shot during the War. The bullet was never removed and he died with it in him. When the War ended he was at Tuscaloosa, AL with measles. Because he was ill, the Army gave him a mule to ride home. He used the mule to start farming.

August Seab's Civil War record at the National Archives reads: Seabe, Augustus, Co. I, 14 Conf. Cav. Sergeant (Confederate). 5th Sgt. (Capt) Wm. M. Porter's Co., 14 Regt, Confederate Cavalry. Age 19 years..appears on Company muster roll of the organization named above for Oct 5, 1863 to June 30 1864. Joined for duty and enrolled 5 Oct 1863 at Meadville, MS by Capt Wm. Porter for 3 years. Remarks: Presnic.

William Hadskey wrote that he enlisted 5 Oct 1863 in Co. I, 14th Confederate Cavalry under Gen. Wert Adams and was promoted to 5th Sgt. During May - June 1864 he was shown as being a prisoner. In his pension statement, he said his duty was to gather recruits and scout work and was in several attacks on Federal advance Guards. He also stated he took measles two weeks before the surrender and was in a private house in Gainesville, AL at the surrender May 1865. When he was well, he came back after the others in his company got home.

August Seab received a Confederate pension from the state of Mississippi. His application made 17 Aug 1920 stated he was age 75 with Post office Kirby, Franklin Co., MS, that he enlisted Sep 1863 in the Third Regiment Miss. Cavalry, Co. C under Gen. Ve A. Adams, Cap. Wm. Porter and served one year eight months. He surrendered in Tuscaloosa, AL, absent then from his company because he had measles. He stated he owned no real estate, had bank deposit and notes $2100, 1 horse and buggy, 2 cows valued at $200, totalling $2300. He had reserved the right of home during his life where he and his wife lived together with no relative. A photocopy of this record appears at the end of this chapter.

Reminiscences of his Granddaughter, Mildred Seab Ezell. My own father (Charles Patrick Seab) made rather frequent trips to visit his parents in Franklin Co., MS as they became aged. My two brothers and I loved to make the trip with Dad. Dad would always stop at the bakery in Natchez to take his parents a huge bag of sweet rolls. He would give us one as we left Natchez. Grandma never served the rolls to us but we never minded as her table was loaded with steaming food she cooked for us.

We travelled there in our old Model T (or A) Ford and when the inevitable shower of rain came up, Dad first waited until we were wet, hoping the rain would stop. Then he would stop the car to get out to snap on the side covers. By the time he got them up, he would be drenched and the rain would have stopped but he insisted the shower might come back. We nearly suffocated the remainder of the trip behind the covers in the steaming heat.

Remnants of this old road can still be seen in Franklin Co. One wonders what one did when a car was met as the road is very narrow and narrows even more where the culverts are laid.

Dad always stopped in Hamburg where we got a soda pop and he visited with the store proprietor, then to Oldenburg to pick up Grandpa's mail and to visit awhile with the postmaster Mr. Lehmann. In order to get on to Grandpa's on his farm road Dad usually had to stop, cut some branches to fill in some washed out ruts on the road so he could drive over them. We made the round trip in one day but it took the full day to make it with only a brief time to spend at the old home. It was only about 35 miles there but from Vidalia, where we lived, we had to first cross the Mississippi River by ferry. Because the road up the bluff was very steep at Natchez and the fuel was cut off from the carburator, Dad had to always turn the car and drive up the bluff backwards. It was the only way the car could make it to the top!

My mother sent her quilt scraps to Grandma Seab who made them into beautiful quilt tops. My Granny Watson quilted most of them. I am still enjoying some of the quilts Grandma Seab made for my mother.

Grandma and Grandpa had to break up housekeeping and leave their old home before they died because of their health. They lived with their daughter, Kate Seab Peale in Natchez, MS. Grandpa was very hard of hearing and everyone had to shout at him so that he could hear. Grandma could whisper in his ear and he could understand every word that she said. Though Aunt Kate's home is in the city of Natchez now, it was out in the country then. I used to hate the drive out there because we had to travel on one of the sunken roads and invariably we would be behind another car unable to pass it. The dust hung forever in those sunken roads. Today, they are very beautiful drives over blacktop with many beautiful native plants covering the sides of the embankments.

An interesting story of the Lehmann family in Oldenburg, MS was told by William Hadskey which I repeat here as August Seab was probably present. "Will tell you a story on GrandPa Lehmann. Several Germans came to live with him at various times including John Cygon and one who is buried in the Lehmann Cemetery named Frederick Nash or Nast, but to get to the story.
"GrandPa, so the tale goes, would write to Germany every so often about some big project of his and they would send him money. People have told me he got three fortunes. When he would get the money, he would go to Natchez and buy wagon loads of food stuffs and whiskey and come back and divide the food stuffs and whiskey with his neighbors and everybody would get drunk.
"Finally the people in Germany sent over a cousin to see how he was doing. The cousin was very displeased and told GrandPa 'Charlie' Karl Adelbert Lehmann that he was living like a peasant. The house had hide bottomed chairs and holes in the roof and walls. Finally, after a great amount of abuse from the cousin, around Christmas time, Grandpa invited some of his old Confederate Soldier Buddies to a big card playing party. Possibly August Seab was there.
"The party was held in a side room behind GrandPa's room where there were several barrels of eggs which had been bought from the neighbors to sell in New Orleans.
"The group was drinking pretty heavy and when the cousin excused himself from the game and came back, he took a big drink and then spewed it out saying they had put vinegar in his drink.
"The whole group instantly got mad and started to attack the cousin. He jumped or crawled upon the side board and they began pelting him with eggs. They played cards all night and for diversion would throw eggs at the cousin every time he poked his bead up. "Needless to say, the next day he left for Germany and GrandPa's getting fortunes from Germany was over."

The Bible family record of August Seab was given in the previous chapter under the section of his father. Apparently, August Seab made a copy in his Bible of the data that was most likely

recorded by his parents. This data was not in his mother's German Catechism, nor was it in the recently found family Bible they owned. See at the end of this chapter for a xerox copy of the record found in the Bible of August Seab.

Because the Lehmanns are discussed in this book, even though there is no blood relationship between them and our family, I give a census reading on them which might clarify some questions some in the family might have:

1880 Fr.Co.,MS. E.D. 44-14 p37 #138 Beat 2 Lehmann, Cha. 43 Oldenburg Hanover Oldenburg; Arminia 33 wife Oldenburg Oldenburg Oldenburg; Hermand? 9 son MS Oldinburg Oldinburg; Henry 7 son; Louisa 6 dau; Carl 4 son; Alabert 7 son; Louis 7/12 Dec son; Cygon, John 30 boarder PRU PRU PRU.

1900 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.50-9 Beat 2 #175 Lehmann, Charles Jan 1837 63 md 30 GER GER GER; Armina wife May 1847 53 md 30 yrs 11 children 10 living GER GER GER; year of immigration into US he 1859, 41 yrs in US, naturalized NA, she 1870, 30, NA; Adelbert son Jan 1878, 22 MS GER GER; Louis son Nov 1879, 20; August son Aug 1891 18; Rudolf son Feb 1883 17; Armina dau Mar 1885, 15; Emil son Apr 1887 13.

1900 Fr.Co.,MS E.D. 50-9 Beat 2 #182 Lehman, Ferdinand Feb 1871 29 md 3 yrs MS GER GER; Anna wife Nov 1869 30 md 3 yrs 2 children 2 living MS MS MS; Ralph son Aug 1897 2; Bersha dau Nov 1898.

1900 Fr.Co.,MS E.D. 50-9 Beat 2 #181 Lehmann, Hermand? Aug 1872 27 md 1 yr MS GER GER; Martha wife Dec 1875 24 md 1 yr 0 children MS MS MS.

1900 Fr.Co.,MS E.D. 50-9 Beat 2 #180 Lehmann, Carl Dec 1874 25 md 2 yrs MS GER GER; Rosa wife Jan 1878 22 md 2 yrs 1 child, 1 living MS MS MS; Herbert son Mar 1899 1.

The old Seab-Hemby graveyard is a very small family grave plot on the original Dennis Hemby place, later known as the J. F. Porter place, then as the old Bob Hester place, Rt. 2, Roxie, MS. It is located in Section 33, township 7, range 2, 2.4 miles northwest of Kirby. It was enclosed at one time by an iron fence, part of which is missing today. The stones read as follows:

August Seab, Sept 18, 1845 - May 10, 1933
Mrs. Laura Hemby Seab, Dec 11, 1847 - August 15, 1931
James Frederick Seab, August 24, 1879 - April 15, 1919
John H. son A. & L. Seab b Dec 29, 1887, d Sept 23, 1898
Annie Claughton, Sep 10, 1911, Jan 17, 1921
Nora Seab Claughton Dec 12, 1873, July 10, 1923
Una May Hemby b Feb 28, 1866, d Sept 7, 1868
Dennis Hemby b May 29, 1823 d Jan 28, 1897
Aged 73 years 7 months 29 days
W. D. Hemby, b May 15, 1860, d Jan 8, 1898

Descendants of ***August Seab*** and ***Laura Hemby***:

1) ***Mary Lenorah "Nora" Seab***, b 12 Dec 1873 near Oldenburg, MS, d 10 July 1923, Tucson, AZ, bur Seab-Hemby graveyard, which is located 2.4 miles northwest of Kirby, Franklin Co., MS, m in Franklin Co. as his 3rd wife 30 June 1908 (by Rev. John Thompson, Roxie, Fr. Co. 3-527) ***Oliver Henry Perry Claughton***, b 27 Sep 1851, d 19 Sep 1927, bur Claughton Cemetery at Whiteapple, his will filed 22 Sep 1927, Franklin Co., son of ***Griffin P. Claughton, Sr.*** and ***Elizabeth A. Tillery***. Oliver H. P. Claughton m 1st 10 Mar 1881 ***Sarah Catherine (Slocumb) Claughton***, b 1848. widow of his brother ***Griffin Pembleton Claughton, Jr.*** and dau of ***Charlie Slocumb***; m 2nd 1 Nov 1896 ***Mary Etta Dobyns***, dau of ***Albert Gallatin Dobyns*** and ***Mary Jane Anderson***.

Nora attended Blue Mountain School in northern Mississippi and then taught school. It is said she was the prettiest of August Seab's girls. At the time she married, she had been teaching school at Gloster, MS, and had gotten typhoid fever. Her sister May Seab took her to Natchez Sanitorium where she nursed her back to health. Nora had only one child and separated from Claughton. She then went to Washington DC to work where she and her daughter Annie Lee caught flu and her daughter died.

Some time after this she wrote a letter, addressed to Mrs. A. M. Latham, Inman, SC %Mr. Chapman.
222 Ky. Ave. S.E. Washington D.C. Jan 7, 1921
My dear Sister,
As I haven't heard from you since Xmas I'm sending this to let you know, I'm getting on OK and hope to return to my work soon. The Dr. will remove the cast next week then I can wear my shoes and clothes properly to go to the office. I'm getting so anxious to get back and fear so much to be released because of all this absence but God will take care of me. Why should I worry? The Repulicans are trying to put every body out and have cut the funds to pay employees so I can't see how the Gov't work is to be done. They have voted $50,000 for the inauguration so that is economy. Well, I can't help it if I'm put out but will try to stay a while longer if I can so as to start a little business for myself at Houston and stay at my home when I leave here.
I do hope you are rested and feel better. Mrs. Parks sent me a beautiful New Year card and wrote you spent several days with them.
The Christian Herald has not come so I'm enclosing an envelope I have and want you to write them to hurry it up. I am so anxious for it to come as I love to read it; and now while I'm shut in could enjoy it so much.
All this week has been such lovely weather and I have longed to get out but can't, so have to be content in my room.
Received short letters from Mama, Kate & Mary this week. All had a pleasant Xmas and were busy. Mary writes business is dull owing to the Mill cutting wages and so many employees left. That seems to be the cry every where, so many are out of employment.
Well, I have no news. Write and let me hear how you are. My love and best wishes. Lovingly, Nora

Nora never fully recovered from the flu. She went to Tucson, AZ and died in the Tucson Hospital. C. P. (Charles Patrick) Seab was notified of her death and sent May Seab Latham the following telegram:
Vidalia, LA. July 10, 1923. Mrs. A. M. Latham, Care Inman Mills, Inman SC. Nora died suddently at ten AM today C P Seab

Her body was shipped home and she was buried about 16 July 1923 in the Seab-Hemby graveyard.

The following letter from her doctor was sent to C. P. Seab:
Aug 7, 1923. I feel sure that it may be of interest to you to know a little something in connection with the details of your sister's death.
As Dr. Mills probably wrote you earlier, she had a bronchol-pneumonia from which she was very slow in recovering. Upon my return home July 1st Dr. Mills went on his vacation and I assumed the care of all the patients. Your sister seemed to be slowly improving up to the time of her death,

however, not getting along as well as we thought she ought to. Early on the morning of July 10th about 5:30 I was called by the nurse who was waiting on her, stating that she was coughing a great deal and that it was difficult for her to get her breath. When I arrived at the Hospital she was having a great deal of difficulty in breathing. Examination disclosed the presence of fluid on the right side where she had had her pneumonia, and I felt that this was the cause of her embarrased breathing. I therefore, with a hypodermic, preceeded to with draw some of the fluid in an effort to relieve her heart action and breathing. To my great surprise the fluid which I withdrew was blood. She died about a half hour later.
My conclusion regarding the cause of her death was she had a hemorrhage into the pleural space, brought about probably by her severe coughing.
..Yours respectfully. /s/ Dr. Medzger.

Her will is recorded in Franklin Co., MS, Bk 1877-1935. An abstract appears here: Nora Seab Claughton, 9/5/1922: To my brother Willie Augustus Seab I give lots 13 and 14 in Block 140 Magnolia Park addition of Houston, Texas together with buildings thereon. Also lots 25 and 26 and 27 Block 91 Central Park in Houston, Texas. Also lots 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 square 157, Orleans addition 5th District, New Orleans, LA. Also lot 1, Block 19 of Factory Hill Addition in Gulfport, MS, also four shares of par value Railroad shares in Orleans Riverside Railroad of New Orleans, LA. Also 10 shares of par value in the Blythe Land Inc. Co. of New Orleans, LA. Wits: C. P. Seab, Aug. W. Peale. Filed 26 April 1924, 10 oclock A.M. Recorded 26 April 1924.

1850 Amite Co.,MS p84 #487 G. P. Claughton 51, parson, VA; Elizabeth A. 37 MS; O.H.P. 55 VA; Wm S.P. 21 b Amite Co.; Amanda 18; George W. 11; Sarah W. 14; Lucy J. 12; Griffin P. 7; Elizabeth A. 4; Thos. Y. 2 Amite Co., MS.

1900 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.49-15 p36 Beat 4 #242 Claughton, Oliver P. Sep 1851, 48, md 2 MS VA MS; Etta M. wife July 1866 33 md ? MS MS MS; Thomas L. son June 1883, 16; Zack W. son May 1886, 14; Cuthburt R. son Feb 1890, 10; May E. dau Aug 1897, 2.

1910 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.61-11 #216 Beat 1 Claughton, Oliver P. 58 md 3 times 2 yrs MS MS MS; Nora wife 31 md once 2 yrs 0 children MS MS MS; Jack son 23 single; Curt son 19; May dau 12 MS MS MS.

A) ***Annie Lee Claughton***, b 19 Sep 1911, Franklin Co., d 17 Jan 1920, bur Seab-Hemby Cemetery.

2) ***Annie May Seab***, b 29 Oct 1875 near Oldenburg, MS, d 20 May 1967, Jackson, MS, bur Roxie Cemetery, Roxie, MS, m in Atlanta, GA 30 Oct. 1914 ***Thomas Andrew Latham***, b 14 June 1884, Atlanta, GA, d 30 May 1915, Houston, TX, bur beside his parents in West View Cemetery, Atlanta, GA, son of ***(Col.) Thomas Latham***, for many years a prominent Atlanta attorney, and ***Alethea Park***. They had no children. May was in the first graduating class of Nursing at Charity Hospital, Natchez, MS. She wanted very much to enter WWI as a nurse but was turned down because of mastoid trouble for which she eventually had to be operated. She spent much of her young life nursing various members of her own family. After WWI May obtained employment as a nurse at a cloth mill in Inman, SC. There she pioneered many of the community health techniques used today. She made a real profession of her work as a nurse. As a child I was fascinated by her talk of the work she did at the mill, which many times consisted of obtaining aid for a disabled child many years before there were any public agencies for such things. She had a tremendous influence on my life. She was very interested in family and helped in many ways to make this book possible.

3) ***Joseph Dennis Seab***, b 26 Dec 1877, Knox, MS, d 20 Feb 1953, m at Whiteapple, Franklin Co., MS 17 Jan 1909 (by John Thompson M.G., Fr. Co. 3-565) ***Frances Eleanor "Effie" McMillan***, b 20 July 1880, Franklin Co., MS, d 4 June 1962, both bur Roxie Cemetery, dau of ***Howard Windfield McMillan*** and ***Nora Boatner***.

Their Bible record, copyrighted 1895, is as follows:

> Joseph Dennis Seab and Frances Eleanor McMillan married at home on the 17th day of January 1909, Whiteapple, Miss.
> Marriages:
> William F. Ikerd and Earl Seab, May 30, 1930
> William L. Ikerd and Laura L. Seab, Nov 26, 1933
> James B. Gray and Erna A. Seab, April 26, 1937
> James C. Seab and Dorothy Buckles, Aug 31, 1941
> Ben Zacharias and Ora Lynell Seab, June 28, 1947
> Births
> Ednar Earl Seab, b Dec. 5, 1909
> Howard Augustus Seab, b April 21, 1911
> James Corredon Seab, Oct 8, 1913
> Laura Lenora Seab, Sept 29, 1915
> Erna Adnah Seab, May 22, 1918
> Ora Lynell Seab, Oct 28, 1921
> Deaths
> Joseph Dennis Seab, Feb 20, 1953

A) ***Edna Earle Seab***, b 5 Dec 1909, Oldenburg, MS, m at Roxie, MS, 30 May 1930 ***William Fulton Ikerd***, b 28 Mar 1905, Roxie, d 15 Nov 1963, Monroe, LA, bur Roxie Cemetery, Roxie, MS, son of ***James Alex Ikerd*** and ***Melissa Woodyear***. Edna Earle lives on Rt. 2 Box 325, Celina, TX with her son Wayne.

> 1910 Fr.Co.,MS, E.D.61-11 p.24 Beat 1 #200 Ikerd, J.A., Jr. 41 md once 20 yrs MS MS MS; Malissa wife 38 md once 20 yrs 10 children 8 living MS MS MS; Ethel dau 17; Alex son 16; Genie dau 14; Willie dau 12; Hattie dau 10; W. F. son 6; Nealy son 3; Sue dau 2 MS MS MS.

a) ***Edna Frances Ikerd***, b 17 June 1931, Roxie, MS, m at Hamburg, MS 2 July 1951 ***Delbert Lee Woods***, b 20 Aug 1928, Bastrop, LA, son of ***Lloyd Willie Woods*** and ***Azlee Day***, live 206 Nichols Ave, Fairhope, AL. She submitted data on her family.

1/ ***Cynthia Jane Woods***, b 6 Jan 1953, KAFB, St. George, Bermuda, m 18 Feb 1984 ***Danny Welker***, lives Fairhope, AL.

A/ ***Daniel Welker***, b 28 Jan 1990, Mobile, AL.

2/ ***Delbert Lee Woods, Jr.***, b 4 Sep 1955, Delhi, Richland Parish, LA, lives Dallas, TX.

b) ***Josephine Elizabeth Ikerd***, b 10 Feb 1933, Natchez, MS, m 16 Nov 1946 ***James Oliver Dorris***, b 1 Aug 1925, Bernice, Union Parish, LA, son of ***Jeff Daniel Dorris*** and ***Annie Braton***, live 3005 Fort Miro, Monroe, LA.

1/ ***Caroline Patricia Dorris***, b 18 Feb 1951, Delhi, LA, d 25 Dec 1967.

2/ ***Larry Floyd Dorris***, b 21 Oct 1961, Monroe, LA, m 14 Oct 1989 ***Kimberly Gail Wallace***, b 11 Jan 1965, Fordyce, AR, dau of ***Muriel Wallace*** and ***Carolyn Rushing***, live 207 Oakhurst #227, El Dorado, AR.

c) ***James William Ikerd***, b 14 Nov 1935, Natchez, MS, m ***Bonnie Bonnell***, b 8 May 1929, dau of ***John Bonnell*** and ***Letis McClain***, live Rt. 2, Smithville, MO.

1/ ***Mary Ann Ikerd***, b 17 Dec 1966, Smithville, MO, m 27 Mar 1987 ***Jacob Tyler Shackelford***.

2/ ***James William Ikerd, Jr.***, b 26 Jan 1973, Smithville, MO.

d) ***Walter Forrest Ikerd***, b 29 June 1939, Roxie, MS, d 31 Dec 1939, bur Union Church, Franklin Co., MS.

e) ***Harold Wayne Ikerd***, b 16 Apr 1941, Natchez, MS, m in Monroe, LA 30 Dec 1968 ***Helen Lenora Walker***, b 23 Feb 1945, Little Rock, AR, dau of ***Raymond Bell Walker*** and ***Ethel Hattie Grace Alexander***, live Rt. 2 Box 325, Celina, TX.

1/ ***Harold Wayne Ikerd, Jr.***, b 27 Nov 1970, Arlington, TX.

2/ ***William Fulton Ikerd II***, b 30 Sep 1975, Dallas, TX.

f) ***Infant daughter Ikerd***, b 31 Oct 1943, Waverly, Madison Parish, LA, d 31 Oct 1943, bur Union Church, Franklin Co., MS.

B) ***Howard Augustus Seab***, b 21 Apr 1911, Whiteapple, killed in a logging accident 23 July 1964, bur Roxie Cemetery, m 13 Aug 1962 ***Tiny Alice Prather***, widow of ***George A. Walters*** of Cranfield, dau of ***Henry Leon Prather*** and ***Mamie Darsey***. She has children by Walters, one child by Seab. The widow lives near Natchez, MS.

a) ***Howard Augustus Seab, Jr.***, b 21 Apr 1964.

C) ***James Corridon Seab***, b 8 Oct 1913, Whiteapple, MS, m 31 Aug 1941 ***Dorothy Marie Buckels***, b 11 Apr 1923, Knoxville, MS, dau of ***John Morgan Buckels*** and ***Estelle Golmon***, live on Beau Pre Rd, Natchez, MS.

a) ***Jimmie Marie Seab***, b 8 Oct 1942, Natchez, MS, m ***(Dr.) William C. Coney***, b 26 Oct 1936, Sicily Island, LA, son of ***Cameron Beard Coney*** and ***Katie Archer Harris***, live Jonesville, LA, their clinic at 201 Fritz St, Jonesville. They helped finance German research on the Seab family.

1/ ***Kendell Lee Coney***, b 27 Sep 1966, New Orleans, LA, m in Ferriday, LA 9 Dec 1989 ***Herschel Jesse Horton***, son of ***Donald Ray Horton*** and ***Gayle Dean***.

A/ ***Cameron Jess Horton***, b 21 Nov 1991, Natchez, MS.

2/ ***Candice Marie Coney***, b 22 July 1968, Shreveport, LA.

b) ***James Howell Seab***, b 20 Aug 1946, Natchez, MS, m at Roxie, MS 31 Aug 1941 ***Brenda Faye Germany***, b 18 Apr 1953, Natchez, dau of ***Otis Kent Germany*** and ***Sammie Rae Duck***, live on Whispering Pine Rd., Natchez. He assisted with data on his family.

1/ ***LaWanda Lynn Seab***, b 25 Mar 1971, Natchez, MS, m 3 May 1987 ***Luther Ray Rollins, Jr.***

2/ ***Lisa Renee Seab***, b 10 Sep 1975, Natchez, MS.

3/ ***Joseph Dennis Seab***, b 14 Dec 1983, Natchez. MS.

c) ***Deborah Ann Seab***, b 26 Dec 1952, Natchez, m ***Kenneth Ray White***, son of ***Floyd White***, div. She lives on Hwy 84E, Natchez, MS.

1/ ***Richard White***, b c 1972, Natchez, MS.

2/ ***Danielle Michelle White***, b 20 Feb 1976, Natchez, MS.

D) ***Laura Lenora Seab***, b 29 Sep 1915, Oldenburg, MS, m at Roxie 26 Nov 1933, ***William Luther Ikerd, Sr.***, b 23 Dec 1909, Franklin City (Beachtown), Franklin Co., MS, d 19 Sep 1975, Humana Hospital, Natchez, bur Roxie Cemetery, son of ***William Thomas Ikerd*** and ***Addie Florence Hunt***. Laura lives at 105 Tanglewood, Ferriday, LA with her dau Florence Ruth Townsend.

a) ***Billie Jean Ikerd***, b 12 Dec 1934, Roxie, MS, m at Roxie on 12 July 1959 ***Joe Hal Hargett***, b 27 Dec 1931, Fulton, Itawamba Co., MS, son of ***James Everett Hargett*** and ***Jewell Irene Moore***, live 105 Dianne Dr., Brookhaven, MS.

1/ ***Gregory Hal Hargett***, b 15 Sep 1965, Brookhaven, MS, not married 1990.

2/ ***Joe Darron Hargett***, b 27 Aug 1968, Brookhaven, MS.

b) ***William Luther Ikerd, Jr.***, b 10 July 1937, Roxie, m in Meadville, MS 19 June 1960 ***Shirley Temple***, b 19 Mar 1942, Franklin Co., MS, dau of ***Morris Lee Temple*** and ***Grace Cotten***, live Rt. 3, Meadville.

1/ ***Stephanie Lane Ikerd***, b 24 July 1962, Meadville, MS, m 7 Jan 1984 ***Garvin Bernard Holland***, b 6 June 1960, Natchez, MS, son of ***John Bernard Holland*** and ***Joriece Jernigan***, live Rt. 3, Meadville. No issue.

2/ ***Trina Rachelle Ikerd***, b 11 Apr 1965, Meadville, MS, lives 104 Pine Lake Place, Bellegrove Apts, Brandon, MS.

c) ***Florence Ruth Ikerd***, b 11 Sep 1943, Roxie, m 23 Oct 1966 ***Wiley B. Townsend***, b 10 Mar 1934, Monticello, MS, son of ***Wiley Allen Townsend*** and ***Bessie Brunette***, no children, live 105 Tanglewood Rd, Ferriday, LA.

d) ***Laurie Ikerd***, b 4 Mar 1946, Roxie, d 24 Mar 1979, m in Roxie, MS, 4 Apr 1979 ***Wilburn Hinson Temple***, US Navy, b 3 June 1935, d 24 Mar 1979, son of ***Henson (Henderson) Temple*** and ***Anna Laird Hill***. Parents and both children died in a car-bus wreck, and all are buried in Roxie Cemetery.

1/ ***Laura DeAnn Temple***, b 23 July 197l, Natchez, MS, d 24 Mar 1979, Roxie, MS.

2/ ***Wilbern Darin Temple***, b 18 June 1973, d 24 Mar 1979.

e) ***Howard Lamar Ikerd***, b 22 Jan 1948, Roxie, m in Magnolia, MS 19 Dec 1970 ***Susan Thomas***, b 13 Dec 1947, d 1 Oct 1989, Florence, MS, bur Silver Creek Baptist Cemetery, Magnolia, widow of 1st ***Donald Price***, 2nd ***Marcus Wall***, dau of ***Frank S. Thomas*** and ***Dorothy Simmons***. Howard lives 2253 Woodland Pl, Florence, MS.

[Susan had children by former husbands:
1. ***Donald Bradley Price***, b 2 July 1965, McComb, MS, d 10 Sep 1987, Brookhaven, MS, bur Baptist Church Cemetery Bogue Chitto, MS.

2. ***Marcus Lee Wall III***, b 15 Feb 1967, Baton Rouge, LA.]

1/ ***Robert Shannan Ikerd***, b and d 23 Oct 1973, Jackson, MS, bur Silver Creek Baptist Cemetery, Magnolia, MS.

2/ ***Nancy Michelle Ikerd***, b 11 May 1976, Jackson, MS.

f) ***Baby boy Ikerd***, b 9 Mar 1951, Natchez, MS, d 3 Nov 1951.

E) ***Erna Adnah Seab***, b 22 May 1918, Whiteapple, MS, m 26 Apr 1937 ***James Burton Gray***, b 18 Apr 1914, Homer, Claiborne Parish, LA, d 23 June 1948, El Dorado, AR, bur Roxie Cemetery, son of ***James Hendrick Gray*** and ***Mary Camp***. Erna lives 931 Elaine St., Irving, TX.

a) ***Dennis Hendrick Gray***, b 6 June 1938, Roxie, MS, m in Monroe, LA June 1961 ***Johnnie Sue Kay***.

b) ***Syble Ora Gray***, b 13 Mar 1941, Natchez, MS, m at Eutaw, AL 7 Oct 1961 ***Jackie Warren Reid***, b 16 June 1939, Monroe, LA, d 1 June 1986, Dallas, TX, son of ***Joseph Leo Reid*** and ***Minnie Bell Smith***. She lives at 2509 W. 11th St., Irving, TX.

1/ ***Randy Jay Reid***, b 29 June 1963, Monroe, LA.

2/ ***Denise Renee Reid***, b 27 Sep 1971, Irving, TX.

F) ***Ora Lynell Seab***, b 28 Oct 1921 Hamburg, MS, m at Saginaw, MI 28 June 1947 ***Benjamin Henry Zacharias***, b 31 July 1920, Weirton, WV, d 30 Sep 1982, Saginaw, bur Saginaw, son of ***Benjamin Frank Zacharias*** and ***Agnes Kudor Kuderko***. Ora lives at 4815 Schneider, Saginaw, MI and supplied the information on her family.

a) ***Donna Marie Zacharias***, b 3 Apr 1948, Saginaw, MI, m at Saginaw on 14 Aug 1971 ***Michael J. Wood***, b 15 May 1948, Saginaw, son of ***William Davis Wood*** and ***Margaret C. Pape***.

1/ ***Shannon Marie Wood***, b 22 Mar 1975, Saginaw, MI.

2/ ***Alison Michelle Wood***, b 8 Feb 1978, Saginaw, MI.

b) ***Robert Benjamin Zacharias***, b 23 Aug 1952, Saginaw, MI, m at Harrisville, MI on 21 Jan 1984 ***Penny Lorraine Bragg***, both teachers, b 15 Jan 1953, Marion, IN, dau of ***Gerald Wayne Bragg*** and ***Mabel Jeannette Libengood***.

1/ ***Katharine Anne Zacharias***, b 18 July 1984, Alpena, MI.

2/ ***Laura Jeanette Zacharias***, b 27 Apr 1987, Alpena, MI.

c) ***Janet Yvonne Zacharias***, b 7 Sep 1954, Saginaw, MI, m in Saginaw, MI on 23 Sep 1974 ***Roger F. Rapin***, b 6 July 1951, Saginaw, son of ***Bernard E. Rapin*** and ***Clara A. Jarzabkowski***.

1/ ***Daniel Patrick Rapin***, b 9 June 1980, Saginaw, MI.

2/ ***Patrick Andrew Rapin***, b 26 May 1983, Saginaw, MI.

3/ ***Andrew Tyler Rapin***, b 12 May 1990, Saginaw, MI.

d) ***Carol Gwen Zacharias***, b 1 Mar 1956, Saginaw, MI, m in Saginaw 27 Nov 1976 ***Steven Michael Rappley***, Industrial Sewing Machine Operator, b 2 Apr 1956, Saginaw, son of ***Robert Rappley*** and ***Casmira Blazewski***.

1/ ***Amy Michelle Rappley***, b 21 May 1977, Saginaw, MI.

2/ ***Douglas Michael Rappley***, b 4 June 1981, Saginaw, MI.

4) ***James Frederick Seab***, b 24 Aug 1879, Franklin Co., MS, d 15 Apr 1919 in Railroad Hospital in New Orleans, LA, bur in Seab-Hemby graveyard, Franklin Co., MS, m in Tangipahoa Parish, LA 8 Dec 1918 ***Mary Wilson***, b 1895, Roseland, LA. He attended Mississippi College and was a railroad agent at Roseland, LA. Mary Wilson was raised as an orphan by relatives and it is not known who her parents were. Their child was born after the death of James Frederick. [Mary Wilson Seab m 2nd ___ ***Coleman***, had several daughters, m 3rd ***Robert Babin*** of Choudrant, LA and had children by him. One of her daughters, ***Clayton Coleman*** m ***Clint Frazier*** and had 3 sons. Another dau is ***Dorothy Coleman***, who is a nurse at the VA Hospital in Shreveport, not married.]

From a newspaper article (date and source lost): ***Franklin County Man Passes Away.*** Mr. Jim Seab, son of August Seab died Tuesday April 18 at New Orleans. His remains were brought home and interment made Thursday in the old Hemby graveyard near Kirby with Masonic honors, the service being conducted by an uncle of the deceased, Rev. John Hemby. Mr. Seab leaves a wife, father and mother, four sisters and two brothers to whom the Advocate extends sympathy.

A) ***Jimmie LeNoir Seab***, b 30 Sep 1919, Roseland, Tangipahoa Parish, LA, m 7 Apr 1935 Choudrant, LA ***Brantley Hudson Banks***, b Mar 1908, Scott Co., MS, son of ***George Thomas Banks*** and ***Mary Frances "Molly" Aycock***.

a) ***James Merritt Banks***, b 3 Feb 1936, Choudrant, LA, m at Rockwell, TX 20 July 1963, ***Monte Beth Miller***, dau of ***Leslie Miller*** and ***Kathleen Ayres*** of Haynesville, LA, live 3452 Conly Road, Birmingham, AL.

1/ ***Leslie Kathleen Banks***, b 3 Apr 1964, Shreveport, LA, m in Pineville, LA on 17 May 1986, ***Daryn Ray Clark***, b 30 June 1966, Crossett, AR, son of ***Charles H.*** and ***Cherla Clark*** of Crossett.

A/ ***James Barrett***, b 31 Oct 1988, Minden, LA.

2/ ***Mary Beth Banks***, b 31 Dec 1970, Alexandria, LA.

b) ***Arville Wayne "Bubba" Banks***, b 20 Jan 1938, Homer, LA, m 1st in Minden, LA 5 Oct 1958 ***Shirley Frasier***, dau of ***Percy Frasier*** and ***Lillian Alexander***, div., m 2nd ***Sheila*** ___. The children are by the 1st wife.

1/ ***Michael Wayne Banks***, b 1 Dec 1959, Shreveport, LA, m 1st in Minden, LA 1 Sep 1978 ***Tammy Sene Kirkland***, dau of ***Pat Bailey*** and ***Gary Chandler***, 2 children, div., m 2nd

A/ ***Kasie Ann Banks***, b 1 Jan 1982.

2/ ***Martin Keith Banks***, b 26 Oct 1965, Minden, LA.

3/ ***Monty Edward Banks***, b 26 Sep 1968, Minden, LA.

5) ***Katherine Louise Seab***, b 6 July 1881 near Oldenburg, MS, d 8 Apr 1955, Natchez, m in Franklin Co., MS 6 June 1906 (by John A. Held, Baptist M.G., Fr. Co. 3-355) ***Augustus Welch Peale***, b 4 May 1876, Tensas Parish, LA, d 12 Dec 1945, Natchez, MS, both bur Natchez City Cemetery, son of ***Alexander Henderson Peale*** and ***Emily Welch***. Kate Seab studied bookkeeping, typing and shorthand at I. I. and C. (now Mississippi State College for Women) and worked in Natchez before her marriage. She took care of her parents in her home in Natchez before their deaths.

> 1910 Adams Co., MS E.D. 1-6 Augustus Peale 34 LA; Katie Lou wife 25 MS; Augustus son 3; Alexander 1; Seabe, Annie sister in law 34 MS.

A) ***Augustus "Gus" Welch Peale***, b 2 Apr 1907, Natchez, MS, d 18 Feb 1986, Natchez, unmarried.

B) ***Alexander Seab Peale***, b 8 Mar 1909, Natchez, MS, m 1st at Headland, AL 22 Sep 1935 ***Frances Estelle Adcock***, b 5 Sep 1913, Newton, AL, d 10 Feb 1970, Muscle Shoals, AL, bur Newton, AL, dau of ***Barnett Benjamin Adcock*** and ***Ida Shanks***. He m 2nd in the fall 1973 ***Christine Weatherby***, b 1 Jan 1913, Tuscumbia, AL, d 15 June 1978, Sheffield, AL, bur Oakwood Cemetery, Sheffield, widow of ***John Myhan***, dau of ***Christina Weatherby***. He lives at 5471 Thomaston Rd #26, Macon, GA.

a) ***James Edward Peale***, b 29 Nov 1938, Birmingham, Jefferson Co., AL, m at Warner Robins, GA 8 Apr 1962 ***Carol Ann Hutchinson***, b 11 Feb 1940, Newnan, Coweta Co., GA, dau of ***William Hutchinson*** and ***Cleo H. Camp***, live Byron, GA.

1/ ***Carol Ann Peale***, b 31 May 1963, Warner Robins, GA.

2/ ***Connie Lynn Peale***, b 21 Nov 1964, Warner Robins, GA.

b) ***William Wayne Peale***, b 11 Dec 1941, Headland, Henry Co., AL, m at Natchez, MS 6 June 1964 ***Clarissa Sellers***, dau of ***Howard Sellers*** and ***Clara Montgomery***. Mr. Sellars is from Clark Co., MS; Mrs. Sellers from Franklin Co., MS. Her family ancestors include a member of the State Legislature. Wayne is an active researcher of his family, live 4613 Glenwood Dr., Macon, GA.

1/ ***Julia Peale***, b 18 Nov 1965, Tuscaloosa, AL.

2/ ***Jennifer Peale***, b 11 May 1968, Tuscaloosa, AL.

3/ ***Janelle Peale***, b 29 Mar 1971, Tuscaloosa, AL.

C) ***Effie Mae Peale***, b 16 Mar 1913, Natchez, m 24 Nov 1937 ***Harmon Richard Johnson***, WWII, b 12 Oct 1911, Kirby, Pike Co., AR, d 4 May 1972, Jackson, MS, bur Lakewood Memorial Park, son of ***Thomas Alford Johnson*** and ***Ora Boyd*** of Dalsy, AR. Effie Mae has done much family research, mostly on the Peale family.

a) ***Marjorie Lee Johnson***, b 18 Feb 1939, Seminole, OK, m at Jackson, MS 17 Apr 1958 ***Harold Noble Hutchison***, b 5 Mar 1933, Crystal Springs, MS, son of ***Nathanial Leonidas Hutchison*** and ***Agnes Milton Cox***.

1/ ***Susan Dianne Hutchison***, b 2 July 1961, Jackson, MS. Mentally and physically retarded due to meningitis at age 6 months.

2/ ***Judith Lynn Hutchison***, b 18 Dec 1962, Jackson, MS, m 9 Mar 1984 ***Ricky Allen Tharp***, b 9 Aug. 1958, Itta Bena, MS, son of ***Opal Ruth*** (father) and ***Jean Tharp***. Ricky's parents both died while he was quite young and he was reared in the Baptist Orphanage in Jackson, MS.

A/ ***Christopher Allen Tharp***, b 11 Oct 1984, Jackson, MS.

B/ ***Harold Bradford Tharp***, b 11 July 1987, Jackson, MS.

C/ ***Susan Angelika Tharp***, b 4 Aug 1988, Jackson, MS.

3/ ***Michelle Denise Hutchison***, b 27 July 1966, Jackson, MS, m in Jackson, MS 22 Sep 1990 ***Harold Russell Woodruff*** of Tishomingo, MS, b 8 Nov 1966, Zion, IL, son of ***Charles Woodruff*** and ***Frances Nichols***.

4/ ***Wendy Karen Hutchison***, b 4 Sep 1969, Jackson, MS.

5/ ***Eric Stephen Hutchison***, b 5 Jan 1974, Jackson, MS.

b) ***Katherine Louise Johnson***, b 29 May 1953, Jackson, MS, m at Columbus, MS 10 Jan 1976 ***William Stephen Andersen***, b 21 Oct 1954, Tupelo, MS, son of ***William Christian Andersen*** and ***Josephine Ann Donaldson***. The name was at one time spelled Anderson, but reverted back to the original Andersen by virtue of amended birth certificates and from family Bible records which came from Denmark. Had the family been from Sweden, the name would have been spelled Anderson.

1/ ***Stephen Christian Andersen***, b 6 Oct 1984, Seoul, Korea. Korean name was ***Jae Woong Lee***. Entered USA 28 Dec 1984. Legally adopted 24 July 1985.

2/ ***Katherine Ann "Katie" Andersen***, b 7 Dec 1985, Seoul, Korea. Korean name was ***Cho Jae Hee***. Entered USA 4 Mar 1986. Legally adopted 15 Oct 1986.

3/ ***William Jordan Andersen***, b 4 Nov 1986, Jackson, MS.

D) ***Paul Edwin Peale***, b 12 Dec 1916, Natchez, MS, m 1st in Natchez 6 Nov 1942 ***Margerite Becker McLean***, b 28 Mar 1922, Natchez, d 22 Aug 1944, Nashville, TN, bur Natchez, dau of ***Neil McLean*** and ***Margaret Becker Ramsey***. No children. He married 2nd in Clarksville, TN 12 Dec 1945 ***Frances Louise Oliver***, b 31 Mar 1920, Clarksville, TN, dau of ***Thomas Bracy Oliver*** and ***Maude Elizabeth Livingston***, live 829 N. Belmont Ave., Arlington Heights, IL.

a) ***Paul Edwin Peale, Jr.***, b 8 Dec 1946, Natchez, lives Santa Fe, NM.

b) ***Thomas Ray Peale***, b 8 Jan 1950, Memphis, TN, lives Santa Fe.

c) ***Robert Oliver Peale***, b 6 June 1954, m at Ft. Lauderdale, FL 29 Oct 1989 ***Wendy Reichenthaler***, b 15 May 1957, Miami FL, dau of ***Ricel*** and ***Irene Reichenthaler***, live 41 Peachtree Ave. NE, Atlanta.

6) ***Willie Augustus Seab***, b 16 Nov 1883 near Oldenburg, MS, d 9 Jan 1968 in Baton Rouge, LA, m in Lottie, Pointe Coupee Parish, LA 12 Oct 1910 ***Susan Janie Paxton***, b 22 Jan 1888, Slaughter, Feliciana Parish, LA, d 28 May 1948, Baton Rouge, both bur Roselawn Cemetery, Baton Rouge, dau of ***William Johnson Paxton*** and ***Mary Hammond***. He attended Mississippi College, was depot agent in Corban, LA.

A) ***William Augustus Seab***, b 4 Aug 1911, Corban, Livingston Parish, LA, m at Port Neches, TX 28 Apr 1936 ***Jewell Carroll***, b 10 Mar 1917, Nacogdoches, TX, dau of ***Roland Carroll*** and ***Pearl Ponder***. No children.

B) ***Bertha Mae Seab***, b 27 Oct 1912, Corban, LA, m at Oakdale, LA 15 July 1940 ***Jewell Elvin Baker***, b 28 Sep 1908, Garland, St. Landry Parish, LA, d 27 Oct 1971 Alexandria, LA, son of ***John Steve Baker*** and ***Augusta Pauline Myers***. No children. Bertha Mae lives in Baton Rouge, LA.

C) ***Ralph Lane Seab***, b 30 Aug 1914, Corban, LA, m in Ferriday, Concordia Parish, LA 19 Oct 1940 (Bk AA-431) ***Mary Elizabeth Hodge***, b 21 Oct 1920, Lake St. John, Concordia Parish, LA, dau of ***Harry Frank Hodge*** and ***Bettie Dickson***, live 639 Glenmore Ave, Baton Rouge, LA.

a) ***Ralph Lane Seab, Jr.***, draftsman, b 27 Apr 1943, Fort Lewis, WA, m at Baton Rouge 9 Apr 1969 ***Myra Faye McGraw***, b 13 Feb 1947, Baton Rouge, dau of ***Sidney McGraw*** and ***Louise Metz***.

1/ ***Julie Elizabeth Seab***, b 27 Nov 1973, Baton Rouge, LA.

2/ ***Susan Elaine Seab***, b 20 Oct 1978, Baton Rouge, LA.

3/ ***Carolyn Jane Seab***, b 11 Jan 1981, Baton Rouge, LA.

b) ***Betty Jane Seab***, b 15 July 1949, Baton Rouge, LA, m in Baton Rouge, 9 Apr 1971 ***James Owen Burt***, geologist, b 17 Feb. 1944, Kosciusko, MS, son of ***Jim O. Burt*** and ***Allyne Mayfield***.

1/ ***William Edward Burt***, b 17 Dec 1975, Baton Rouge, LA.

2/ ***Laurie Ann Burt***, b 22 Aug 1979, Baton Rouge, LA.

7) ***Charles Patrick Seab***, b 1 Oct 1885, Franklin Co., MS, d 11 Mar 1953, Natchez, MS, m at Arizona, Claiborne Parish, LA (by J. C. Price M.G., wit. Mack Parker, W. D. Torpley) 16 Nov 1913 ***Margaret Overton Watson***, b 4 Apr 1893, Arizona, LA, d 13 Apr 1954, Natchez, MS, both bur Arlington Cemetery, Homer, LA, dau of ***James Reeves Watson*** and ***Maggie Corry***, lived Vidalia, LA.

Pat (or C. P.) received a B.S. degree in 1910 from Mississippi Agricultural and Mechanical College (now Mississippi State). He was always quite proud of the fact that he worked to put himself through college in an era when it was unusual to do this.
From 1910 to 1914 he taught school in Natchitoches, Manning and Arizona (Claiborne Par.), LA. It was in Arizona, LA while boarding with her parents, he met and married Overton Watson. From 1914 to 1918 Pat was agricultural agent in Winn Parish, LA. He was a pioneer in the extension organization, having been one of the first parish agents appointed in Louisiana when the Cooperative Agricultural Extension Service was organized under the Smith-Lever Act of 1914. He served on the extension staff 39 years, being in Concordia Parish from 1918 until his death. In 1918 when he arrived in Concordia Parish he travelled its roads and trails through axle deep mud or in clouds of dust. The roads were not even gravelled and those who know what buckshot soil is like in Concordia Parish do not need any further explanation. Probably the progress made in the mode of travel during his tour of duty in the parish was no more spectacular than the progress made in agriculture which he promoted during his time.
This writer used to hate hog vaccinating season because he kept his vaccine in our refrigerator at home and all our food tasted of the vaccine (or of Lysol?). Probably every rural home in Concordia Parish has at least one pecan tree he grafted. He worked so tirelessly around the clock during the 1927 flood (when the back levee on Black River broke and the whole parish was covered with water) that we kids, who had been moved to a rural home out from Natchez, were literally barefooted before he came home early enough one day to rush us to a store before it closed (where I bought shoes too small for me and have scars on my heels today to prove it!). He is well remembered in Vidalia for his trips to the post office where he met every mail delivery.

I remember Mama and Daddy for the perfect home they kept. I believed my mother was the only perfect housekeeper in the world until I moved to Georgia. My mother did not object to the house being messed up as it was cleaned every day. My Dad repaired whatever needed it before I even

knew it was in the need of repair. He took pride in his gardens, vegetable and flower. No grass was allowed to grow where it was not wanted; he dug out the roots even if he had to dig down two feet. He had vegetables out of his garden on the table about the time every one else was beginning to plant. He liked to grow odd things--like summer spinach and eatable soybeans. We had to eat them because he had read they were good for us. He had a full blooded Jersey cow which he fed balanced rations as recommended by the Extension Service. It literally gave half and half milk. We were a middle income family but grew up believing we were poor as my Dad kept telling us we were while he kept a tight rein on our spending. This believing I was poor did not prepare me for the poverty I faced as an adult. I remember one inconsistency. We were not allowed to attend the local baseball games as they were played on Sundays, but my brother Gus was allowed to play on the team. I was much older before I realized my parents were very proud that he was their star player but we kid^ never got to see him play. We ate every meal in the dining room with linen table cloth. We had a fresh cloth every Sunday dinner with all the good china, silver, etc. being used. My mother said even when we were small children, the cloth was cleaner at the end of the week than it was after one meal after we got a breakfast table which needed no cloth.

Descendants:
A & B) ***Twin son and dau Seab***, b 28 Dec 1914 Winnfield, LA, d 29 Dec 1914, bur Arlington Cemetery, Homer, LA.

C) ***Malcolm William Seab*** (twin), Lt. Col. in U.S. Air Force, b 10 June 1916, Winnfield, LA, d 21 Sep 1973, Andrews Air Force Base, bur Arlington National Cemetery, Grave No. 1213, Section 53. He m 1st in Shreveport, LA 4 June 1938 ***Minnie Bob Wilson***, b 29 Apr 1919, Farmersville, LA, d 2 Sep 1939, Monroe, LA, bur Farmersville, dau of ***Robert Arther Wilson*** and ***Katie Noveline Martin***. No children. He m 2nd at Mooringsport, LA 20 July 1940 ***Louise Odom***, b 10 June 1920, Plain Dealing, LA, d 27 Mar 1979, Beltsville, MD, bur same grave as Malcolm, dau of ***Walton O'Conner Odom*** and ***Virginia Lee Oglesby***.

a) ***Ann Louise Seab***, b 1 Mar 1943, Little Rock, AR, d 24 June 1943, Vidalia, LA, bur Arlington Cemetery, Homer, LA.

b) ***Son Seab***, b & d 23 Sep 1944, Shreveport, LA, bur Arlington Cemetery, Homer, LA.

c) ***Susan Margaret Seab***, b 19 May 1947, New Orleans, LA (adopted), m 1st at Andrews Air Force Base, MD 18 June 1967 ***Edward Leslie Herring II***, son of ***Edward Leslie Herring*** and ***Jane Wallis***, divorced, m 2nd at Beltsville, MD 21 June 1980 ***Jack Mearl Bowser***, b 9 Apr 1941, Altoona, PA, son of ***Merl Emory Bowser*** and ***Lilly Mae Sleek***. Jack m 1st ***Donna Jean Faretta***.

1/ ***Katherine Lee "Kelee" Herring***, b 12 July 1970, Patuxent Naval Air Station, St. Mary's Co., MD.

2/ ***Edward Leslie "Chip" Herring III***, b 14 Dec 1972, Milton, Santa Rosa Co., FL.

3/ ***Khristina Lynn Bowser***, b 24 Mar 1986, Columbia, MD.

D) ***Mildred Winston Seab*** (twin and the 2nd born), b 10 June 1916, Winnfield, m in Baton Rouge, LA (lic. in Catahoula Parish) 21 Feb 1936, ***Bluford Ezell***, b 21 Nov 1914, Gilbert, LA, d 12 Dec

1971, Alexandria, LA, bur Gilbert, LA, son of ***Alcy Oliver Ezell*** and ***Ethel Prather***, div. Bluford m 2nd ***Mary Alice Manning***, no issue, but she has a son by a previous marriage. Mildred is the compiler of this history, lives with her daughter at 4416 Briers Place, Stone Mountain, GA.

a) ***Margaret Prather Ezell***, b 12 Aug 1951, New Orleans, LA, adopted. She is Doctor of Philosophy in Family Ecology 1982 from Michigan State University, now Information Services Administrator for Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Resolutions Trust Corporation for the Eastern Region with her office in Atlanta, GA.

E) ***James Augustus Seab, Sr.***, retired colonel, U.S. Infantry, b 11 Nov 1918, Winnfield, LA, m at Barksdale Air Force Base, Bossier City, LA 25 Dec 1941 ***Ruby Jones***, b in Grant Parish, LA, dau of ***Louis Elbert Jones*** and ***Lilly Mae Dunn***, live San Antonio, TX.

> Newsarticle, source and date lost: ***Capt. James Seab is Awarded the Bronze Star.*** Mrs. James A. Seab recently received from Capt. James A. Seab a Bronze Star with the following citation:
> "For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an armed enemy in the vicinity of Hattersdorf, Germany, on March 18, 1945, Capt. Seab commanding officer of Co. F. personally led his unit in a frontal attack across a wide stretch of open terrain against strongly entrenched enemy positions near Hattersdorf.
> "Skillfully deploying his men forward and instructing them in the employment of marching fire, he continued his advance until convinced that the hostile positions were too strong to be taken by frontal assault. After dispersong his platoons into temporary cover positions, Capt. Seab directed his artillery forward to an advanced point from which the latter was able to call for counter battery fire on the enemy artillery positions and effectively silence them. His men well organized into defensive positions, Capt. Seab repulsed a hostile counter attack launched against his lines that night. His superior leadership, stong initiative and loyal devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Capt. Seab and the armed forces of the United States."
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> A Sept 1966 newsarticle (source lost) is quoted here. ***Col. Seab becomes New SPO Director.*** Seoul -- Col. James A. Seab last week began a tour of duty as the director of the Eighth Army Support Command's Directorate of Security, Plans and Operations.
> Colonel Seab, a veteran of almost 25 years of Army service, comes to Korea for the second time from an assignment as Chief, Special Warfare and Foreign Assistance Division in the Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence at the Pentagon. He served here in 1953-54 with the Korean Military Advisory Group as an advisor to the ROK Army's 9th Infantry Division.
> A graduate of Louisiana State University with a degree in agriculture, the colonel received a reserve commission as a second lieutenant in 1939 through the ROTC program.
> In February 1942, shortly after the beginning of World War II, he came on active duty and served throughout the war in Europe with the 26th Infantry Division as commanding officer of a rifle company. During this period he participated in the Ardennes Campaign, Battle of the Bulge and the Rhineland Campaign. He was awarded the Bronze Star Medal with V and Oak Leaf Cluster, and the Combat Infantryman Badge. Colonel Seab has also been awarded the Army Commendation Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters.
> The 48 year old officer is a graduate of the Command and General Staff School at Ft. Leavenworth, Kan., and the Infantry School at Fort Benning, GA.
> Colonel Seab's wife is currently residing in Baton Rouge, LA. They have three sons attending Louisiana State University and one who is a senior in high school.

When asked about the awards he received, he wrote: "I was not strong on awards. Like so many things, those who received the most and best had the best citation writers. I did not have a good one in my company. I wrote up many of my men but refused to write my own. The one I got the most satisfaction from was the Combat Infantry Badge. Like so many things, it as well as other awards have been cheapened in subsequent wars. I also have two Bronze Stars for Valor and the

usual awards given to most all for participation. I also got satisfaction having three battle stars on my European Campaign medal for having participated in three campaigns - Rhineland, Ardennes (Battle of the Bulge) and Central Europe. I have a number of commendations since the war and a Legion of Merit I was awarded when I retired. .. According to my map, the places you mention in Germany (where our Seab and Nienaber families were) are in North West Germany. During the war I was in central and southern Germany. I passed through Breman, which is not far from there a couple times enroute to and from the port of Bremerhaven during my tour there after the War. All of that area is in the British Zone of occupation.

a) ***James Augustus Seab, Jr.***, b 14 Sep 1943, Fort Benning, Columbus, GA, m 1 Sep 1984 ***Lisa Johnson***, b 10 Jan 1951, Bethesda, MD, dau of ***Henry*** and ***Loraine Johnson*** of Newton, MA. Jim has a medical degree in Neuro-Pathology and was also qualified in anatomic and clinical pathology, retired head pathologist from Walter Reed Hospital, now Pathologist for dermatology group in Buffalo, NY.

b) ***John Christoper Seab***, b 3 June 1948 (twin), Heidelberg, GER, m ***Virginia "Jenie" Hazel***, dau of ***Raymond Hazel*** and ***Joan Eggler***.

1/ ***Kim Marie Seab***, b 24 July 1978, Bedford, OH.

c) ***Joseph Philip Seab***, b 3 June 1948 (twin), Heidelberg, GER, m ***Shioko Kurio*** (or Kuroi), dau of ***Takeko*** and ***Karji Kurio***. Her father is a retired admiral of the Japanese Navy, living in Nakaka, Yotohama, Japan. Shioko was born and educated in Japan, has a son of a previous marriage. Phil is neurologist, board certified in internal medicine, research at University of California, Berkeley, now with a health maintenance organization. He also has a Ph.D. in physics.

1/ ***Benjamin Satoski "Benje" Seab***, b 3 May 1982.

2/ ***Mika*** (dau) ***Seab***, b c.1985 or 1986.

d) ***Charles Gregory Seab***, b 26 May 1950, Fort Benning, GA, has Ph.D. in astro-physics, m at Boulder, CO 9 May 1979 ***Peggy Rose McConnell***, dau of ***Arthur J.*** and ***Shirley "Duffy" McConnell***, live New Orleans, LA.

1/ ***Jenna Rose McConnell-Seab***, b 15 Aug 1982, Boulder, CO.

All four of the sons of Augustus Seab graduated from Louisiana State University Cum Laude, and all went on to obtain higher degrees.

F) ***Dorothy Mae Seab***, b 24 June 1925, Vidalia, Concordia Parish, LA, m 1st ***Rodney Ray White***, b 31 Aug 1922, Tyronza, AR, son of ***Claude Earl White*** and ***Maxie Lee Estes***, div 4 Mar 1946, m 2nd 30 Jan 1948, Vidalia, LA ***William Arthur Ward, Jr.***, b 8 Dec 1925, Bude, MS, son of ***William Arthur Ward, Sr.*** and ***Ella Lousarah Reed***. One child by White, adopted by Ward, live Natchez, MS.

a) ***Patricia Ann Ward***, b 12 Mar 1944, Natchez, MS, m at Natchez 18 Dec 1965 ***Richard Thomas Junkin, Jr.***, b 14 Jan 1943, son of ***Richard Thomas Junkin, Sr.*** and ***Rose Kelly Lambert***. They live in Natchez, MS.

1/ ***Richard Thomas Junkin III***, b 28 Oct 1966, Natchez, m in Natchez 21 Jan 1989 ***Terry Ann Martin***, b 25 Feb 1968, dau of ***John C. Martin*** and ***Patricia Ann Smith***.

2/ ***Gina Patrice Junkin***, b 26 Sep 1969, Natchez, m in Natchez 29 Apr 1989 ***David Lawrence Cauthen***, son of ***Robert P. Cauthen*** and ***Pamela Ann Murphy*** of Natchez.

3/ ***John Ward Junkin***, b 24 May 1971, Natchez, m in Natchez 24 Mar 1990 ***Crystal "Christi" Michelle Arnold***, dau of ***Paul Stephen Arnold*** and ***Faye Whittington*** of Washington, MS.

A/ ***Johnathan Kole Junkin***, b 13 Oct 1990, Natchez, MS.

4/ ***Jana Kathrine Junkin***, b 29 Apr 1978, Natchez, MS.

8) ***John Hemby Seab***, b 29 Dec 1887, Franklin Co., MS, d 27 Sep 1898, Franklin Co., bur Seab-Hemby Cemetery. He died of diabetes. May Seab Latham had his portrait made shortly before he died. May explained that she paid a man $30.00 to drive out from Natchez in a buggy to make the photograph. She then sent the photo off to be colored which cost her $21.00. The frame and glass were extra. It was a beautiful large square picture in a white and gold frame. The glass was curved as all old glass is. John was sitting in an old fashioned chair on a home made felt rug. He was dressed in a ruffled shirt with knee pants. It was colored in grays and grayed blues.

9) ***Laura Virgil Seab***, b 10 Jan 1890, Franklin Co., MS, d 25 June 1971, Pasadena, TX, m 24 Dec 1916 (by James A. Chapman, M.G., Fr. Co. 5-154) ***Oscar Thomas Loflin, Sr.***, D.D.S., b 14 July 1888, Florence, Rankin Co., MS, d 18 Sep 1965, Ferriday, Concordia Parish, LA, both bur Natchez City Cemetery, son of ***James Andrew Loflin*** and ***Sue Walker***. He was a dentist, practicing in Bude and Natchez. He purchased the old August Seab place.

A) ***Eunice LaNell Loflin***, b 25 Oct 1917, Bude, MS, m 13 Mar 1943, Natchez, MS (Rev.) ***Allyn Knight Wadleigh***, b 1 June 1917, Norwich, CT, son of ***William Lincoln Wadleigh*** and ***Agnes Haley***, live West Palm Beach, FL.

a) ***Allyn Ashton Wadleigh***, b 1 Oct 1952, MS, d 3 Oct 1952, bur Natchez, MS, adopted.

b) ***Allyn Loflin Wadleigh***, b 12 Apr 1951, Worcester, MA, adopted, m at West Palm Beach, FL 23 Dec 1972 ***Linda Weissbach***, b 27 Jan 1953, Montclair, NJ, dau of ***William Robert Weissbach*** and ***Louisa May French***, live Royal Palm Beach, FL.

1/ ***David Allyn Wadleigh***, b Apr 1975, West Palm Beach, FL.

2/ ***Jonathan Russell Wadleigh***, b 2 Feb 1976, West Palm Beach, FL.

3/ ***Richard William Wadleigh***, b 22 May 1978, Palm Beach Gardens, FL.

c) ***Suzanne Loflin Wadleigh***, b 2 Nov 1953, Birmingham, AL.

B) ***Doris Evelyn Loflin***, b 1 Jan 1919, Bude, MS, d 10 Oct 1989, Houston, TX, bur Natchez City Cemetery, m in Lufkin, TX 10 Sep 1941 ***Darwin Truett Cook***, b 12 May 1918, Lufkin, TX, son of ***William Newton Cook*** and ***Mattie Laura Stanley***. He lives 1405 Oaks Dr., Pasadena, TX.

a) ***Joan Evelyn Cook***, b 28 Oct 1950, Houston, TX, m ___ ***Champmond***, pilot in CA, div., m 2nd ***Guy Mattox***, live Austin, TX. She kept the name of her first husband, lives 2109-A Rabb, Austin, TX.

b) ***Anne Belle Cook***, b 1 Sep 1953, Houston, TX, m ***(Dr.) Eddie Tennison***, a dentist, live Austin, TX. She kept her maiden name.
She lives 103 South Laurelwood, Austin, TX.

c) ***John Cook***, lives Austin, TX, m Betty Pearce, who m 1st ___, lives 2610 Oakhaven Dr., Austin, TX.

d) ***William Cook***, m a Catholic girl, has 2 or 3 children, lives Tunica, MS.

C) ***Oscar Thomas Loflin, Jr.***, retired dentist, b 23 Nov 1921, Bude, MS, m in Natchez, MS 28 Jan 1950 ***Ruby Jeanette Smalling***, vice president in a Natchez bank, b 21 Dec 1921, Calhoun, LA, dau of ***Charles Newt Smalling*** and ***Leila Mae Bryan***, live Lake Saint John, LA. Oscar has purchased from his sisters the old August Seab place and has partially restored the home. They use it frequently as a hunting lodge.

a) ***Oscar Thomas Loflin III***, b 1 July 1952, Natchez, MS, m in Austin, TX ***Mary Anita Duncan***, live Austin, TX.

1/ ***Robert Duncan Loflin***, b 5 Dec 1983, Austin, TX.

b) ***Elizabeth Ann Loflin***, b 9 Aug 1954, Natchez, MS, m in Natchez, MS 23 June 1979 ***Stephen Edwin Parey***, son of ***Stephen Parey*** of Pittsburg, PA.

1/ ***Leann Parey***, b 18 Apr 1884, Houston, TX.

D) ***James Andrew Loflin***, b 7 Nov 1923, Bude, MS, d 28 Jan 1928.

E) ***Laura Sue Loflin***, b 19 Sep 1925, Bude, MS, m in Greenville, MS 3 Aug 1946 ***John Russell Booth, Jr.***, b 8 Apr 1921, Acona, Holmes Co., MS, son of ***John Russell Booth, Sr.*** and ***Anne Ethel Hammett***. Live Rt 2 Box 87, Tunica, MS.

a) ***Laura Ann Booth***, b 3 Oct 1949, Lexington, Holmes Co., MS, m in Tunica, MS 12 Dec 1971 ***Gerald Dennis Pope***, b 30 June 1947, Arkbutia, Tate Co., MS, son of ***Daniel Preston Pope*** and ***Gladys Grennel Cooper*** of Tate, MS, live 56 Country Club Dr., Senatabia, MS.

1/ ***Anna Loflin Pope***, b 20 Mar 1979, Memphis, TN.

2/ ***Ginger Grenell Pope***, b 20 Mar 1979, Memphis, TN.

b) ***Susan Mignonne Booth***, b 9 Dec 1950, Lexington, MS, m in Tunica, MS 28 Apr 1973 ***Allen Eugene Read***, b 28 July 1951, AR, son of ***Allen Earl Read*** and ***Belvah Stewart***, div Nov 1984, DeSoto Co., MS.
Susan lives 330 Plum Point Ave., Southaven, MS.

1/ ***Allen Eugene Read, Jr.***, b 22 July 1978, Memphis, TN.

c) ***John Russell Booth III***, b 4 Oct 1953, Clarksdale, Coahoma Co., MS, m Tunica, MS 11 Aug 1974 ***Julianne Sides***, b 7 Oct 1954, Memphis, TN, dau of ***Julian E. Sides*** and ***Jane Williams***, live 973 Autumn Oaks Circle, Collierville, TN.

1/ ***Jane Marie Booth***, b 26 Aug 1978, Memphis, TN.

2/ ***Laura Elizabeth Booth***, b 13 Jan 1981, Memphis, TN.

3/ ***Russell Thomas Booth***, b 24 June 1986, Greenville, MS.

d) ***William Clarence Booth***, b 27 Jan 1957, Clarksdale, Coahoma Co., MS, m in Southaven, MS 11 July 1981 ***Mary Catherine Gho***, b 24 Nov 1958, Clarksdale, MS, live Tunica, MS.

1/ ***Anna Catherine Booth***, b 22 June 1984, Memphis, TN.

2/ ***Laurah Christine Booth***, b 29 Apr 1987, Memphis, TN.

F) ***Joyce Elizabeth Loflin***, b 17 Apr 1928, Bude, m in Natchez, MS 14 Oct 1950 ***Charles Jack Haley***, b 4 Dec 1926, McComb, MS, son of ***Albert Daniels Haley*** and ***Marie Louise Bridges***, live Houston, TX.

A) ***Charles Jack Haley, Jr.***, b 10 Jun 1951, Natchez, MS, m in Anchorage, AK 10 June 1974 ***Karen Ann Davenport***, b 14 Feb 1952, CO, dau of ***Harvey*** and ***Barbra Davenport***, div. He lives Sitka, AK.

B) ***James Loflin Haley***, b 7 Sep 1952, Vallejo, CA, m in Houston, TX 17 Jan 1976 ***Helen Kathryn Kline***, b 17 Aug 1953, Houston, TX, dau of ***James*** and ***Ann Kline***. James lives Sunset Beach, CA.

APPLICATION FOR PENSION

HOW MADE; WHAT TO CONTAIN; DESCRIPTION OF DISABILITIES; OATH PRESCRIBED.

Form No. 3b.

General Female Class.

Application of Indigent Soldier or Sailor of the late Confederacy, under Chapter 102, Code of 1906, as amended by Laws of April 5th, 1910, Chapter 207, and Laws of March 24th, 1916, Chapter 199, and Laws of March 27th, 1918, Chapter 131, S. B. 67, H. B. 347 and H. B. 987 Laws 1920

Applications must be filed in duplicate with the Chancery Clerk on or before the first Monday in September of the year in which application is first filed, and no application will be entertained not on the printed form.

(Applicant must make answer to all of the following Questions.)

Q. What is your name? Answer August Seab

Q. What is your age? Answer Seventy Five (75)

Q. In what county do you reside? Answer Franklin Co

Q. What is the name of your postoffice? Answer Kirby Miss

Q. Are you a bona fide resident of the State of Mississippi? Answer Yes

Q. Are you married or unmarried? Answer Married

Q. In what State and County did you reside when you enlisted in the service of the Confederate States? Answer Franklin Co

Q. In what county do you reside now? Answer Franklin "

Q. In what county did you reside last year and the year before? Answer Franklin Co

Q. Did you draw a pension from the State of Mississippi last year? If so, from what county? Answer No

Q. Did you draw a pension last year from any other State or county? Answer No

Q. Are you now, or have you been within the last three years an inmate of the Soldiers Home at Beauvoir? Answer No

If so, when and how long were you an inmate there? Never an inmate

Q. What was the date of your enlistment? Answer Sept. 1863

Q. What was the number of the regiment or name of the vessel to which you first enlisted? Answer Third Regiment Miss Cavalry

Q. The name of its commander? Answer Col. W. H. T. [illegible]

Q. Letter of designation of the company in which you enlisted? Answer "C"

Q. The name of its captain? Answer Cap. Wm Parker

Q. The length of time which you served in the above company or regiment? Answer One year eight months

Q. Were you ever discharged or transferred from the above commands? Answer No

Q. If so, give the date of discharge or transfer? Answer Neither

Q. If discharged, on what grounds? Answer Not discharged

Q. If transferred, to what command? Answer Never transferred

Q. Did you enlist the second time in the Confederate service? Answer No

Q. If so, into what regiment or Company? Answer No

Q. Were you discharged from this command but to the surrender or how? Answer No

Q. If so, for what cause? Answer No

Q. Were you at any time absent from your command without leave? Answer No

Q. If yes, how long and why? Answer No

Q. Did you ever absent yourself from your command without leave and join another? Answer No

Pension Application of August Seab.

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Q. If discharged, on what grounds? Answer Not discharged

Q. If transferred, to what command? Answer Never transferred.

Q. Did you enlist the second time in the Confederate service? Answer No

Q. If so, into what regiment or Company? Answer No

Q. Were you discharged from this command before the surrender in 1865? Answer No

Q. If so, for what cause? Answer No

Q. Were you at any time absent from your command without leave? Answer No

Q. If yes, how long and why? Answer No

Q. Did you ever absent yourself from your command without leave and join another? Answer No

Q. Were you with your command in active service at the surrender in 1865? Answer No

Q. Where did your command surrender? Answer Tuscaloosa - Ala.

Q. Were you absent from it when it surrendered? Answer Yes

Q. Why were you absent? Answer Sick with Measles

Q. How long had you been absent? Answer Two weeks

Q. What is your occupation at present? Answer Farming till recently [illegible]

Q. Do you apply for a pension because you are indigent and unable to earn a support by your own labor?

Pension Application continued.

Answer Yes

Q. Do you hold any State, United States, County or City office from which you are receiving as a salary or fees the sum of six hundred dollars per annum? Answer no

Q. Have you any sons over 16 and under 21 years of age? Answer no

Q. If yes, how many? Answer none

Q. Have you any property in your own right or in the right of your wife? Answer no real estate

Q. What is its true, just and correct value? Answer Bank deposit & Notes $2,100.00 [illegible] $2,300

Q. Have you a home of your own? Answer Reserved right of home during life

Q. If not, with whom do you live? Answer me & wife live in home

Q. Is the person you are now living with a relation? Answer Live with none

Q. If so, what relation? Answer none

Q. Have you any relation or connections whose legal duty it is to provide for you? Answer no

"I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I was a Confederate soldier, sailor or servant of such Confederate soldier or sailor (as the case may be); that I was honorably discharged or paroled (or did not desert from the Confederate service (as the case may be); that I reside in this State, that I am indigent and infirm, that I am not able to earn a support, and have no relatives able, whose duty it is to support me, that I nor my wife do not own property, real or personal, to the value of $2,500.00, that I nor my wife have not conveyed any of my or her property to any one with a view to drawing a pension, so help me God."

(Signature of Pensioner) A. Seab

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 17 day of August 1920

J. C. M. Bedford
Justice of Peace

AFFIDAVIT. We, the undersigned, verily believe the facts stated in the above application to be true and the applicant to be the identical person named in the said application.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 17 day of August A. D., 1920

J. C. M. Bedford
(Signature of Officer)
Justice of Peace

NOTE.—Must be attested by one or more creditable witnesses.

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J. C. Bedford
(Signature of Witness)

A. Seab
(Signature of Applicant)

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 17 day of August A. D., 1920

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The pension of August Seab was allowed.

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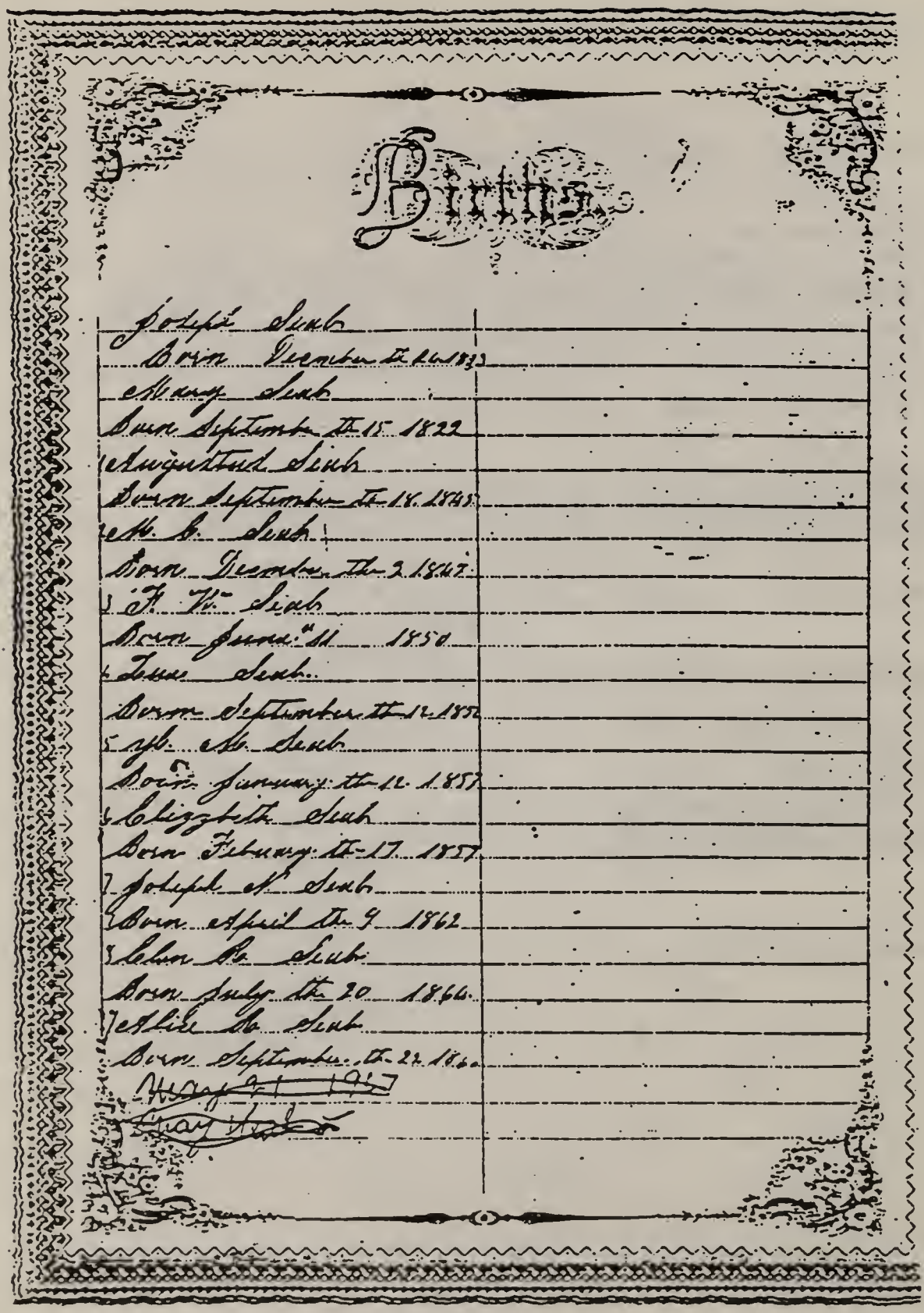
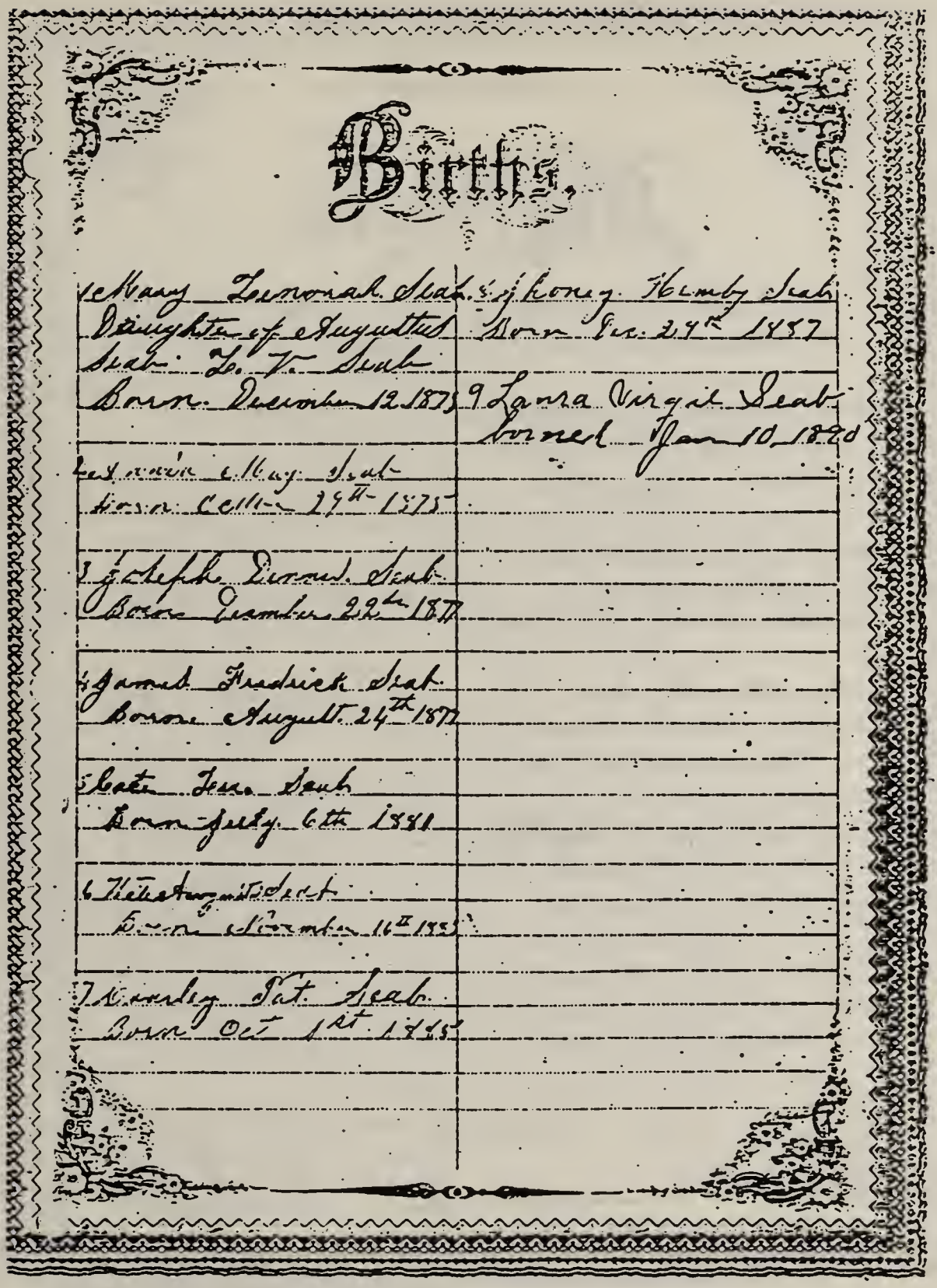

Births

Joseph Seab
Born December th 14 1813
Mary Seab
Born September th 15 1822
Augustus Seab
Born September th 18 1843
W. B. Seab
Born December th 2 1847
J. W. Seab
Born June th 11 1850
Jesse Seab
Born September th 12 1852
W. M. Seab
Born January th 12 1855
Elizabeth Seab
Born February th 17 1857
Joseph A. Seab
Born April th 9 1862
Lelon B. Seab
Born July th 20 1866
Leslie M. Seab
Born September th 22 1868
August 21 1867
Mary Seab

The Bible record (4 pages) of August Seab, copyright date 1867, is the only Bible record I have found of the Joseph Seab family. Note that the birthdate of Joseph Seab 1813 could have been tampered with.



Births.

1 Mary Zenorah Seab
Daughter of Augustus
Seab: Z. V. Seab
Born December 12 1875

2 Annie May Seab
Born Cellar 29th 1875

3 Joseph Dennis Seab
Born December 22nd 1877

4 James Fredrick Seab
Born August 24th 1877

5 Cate Tess Seab
Born July 6th 1881

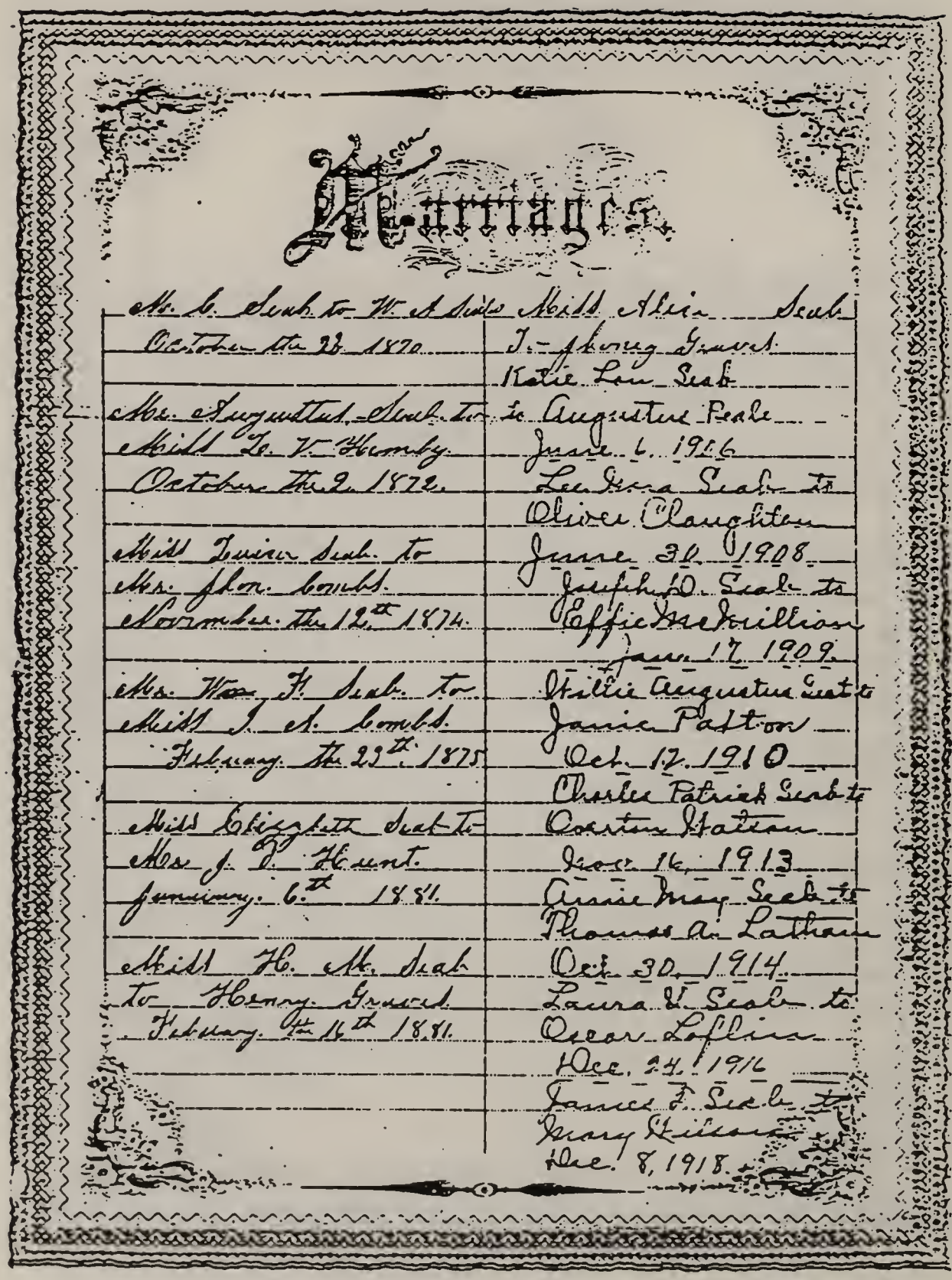
6 Kate Augustus Seab
Born November 16th 1883

7 Charley Pat Seab
Born Oct 1st 1885

8 Johnny Hemby Seab
Born Dec 24th 1887

9 Laura Virgil Seab
Borned Jan 10 1890

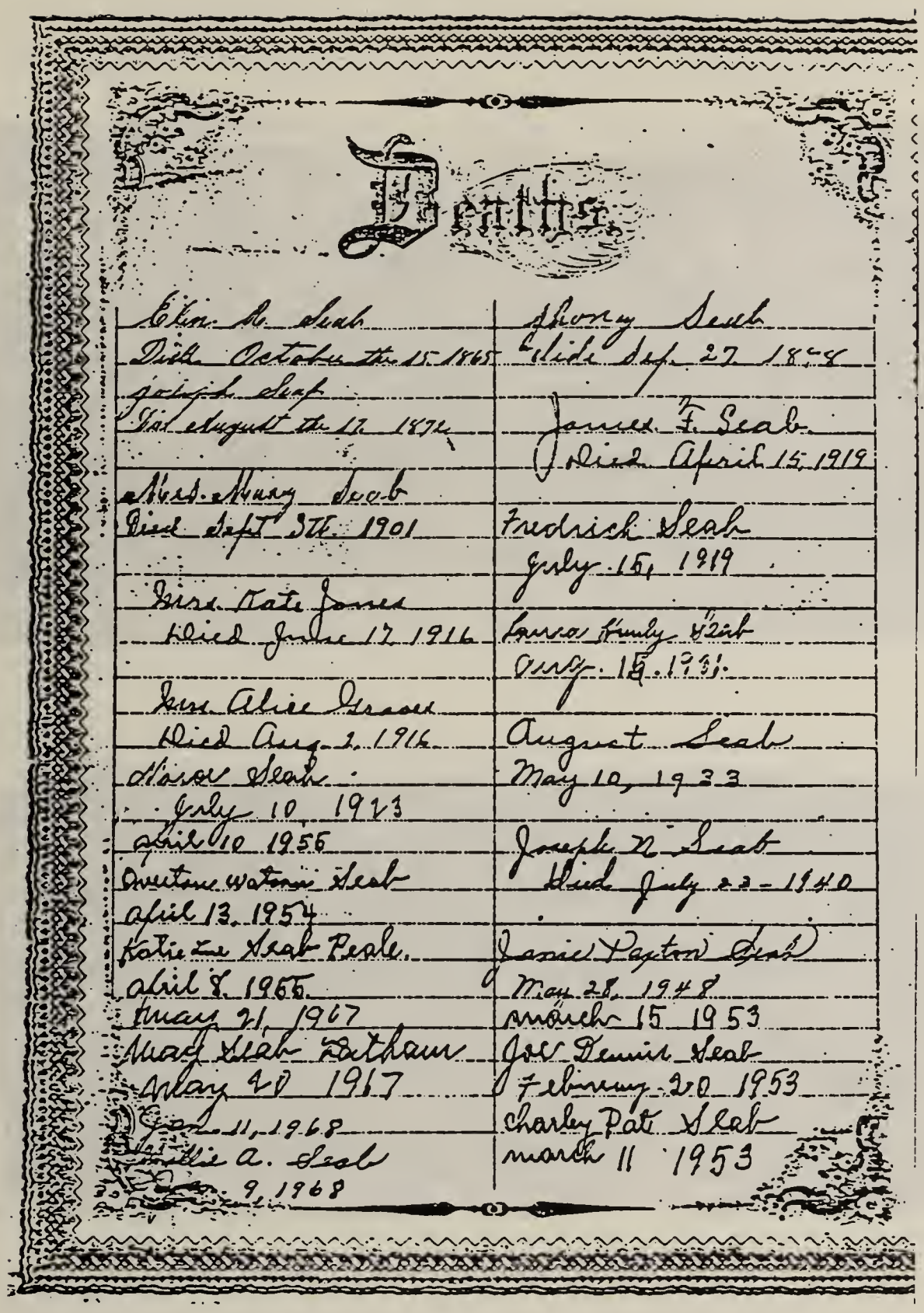
Bible record continued. The Bible was in the possession of Willie Augustus Seab of Baton Rouge, LA, now in the possession of Ralph Lane Seab, Jr. of Baton Rouge.



Marriages

Mr. C. Seab to W. A. Seab	Miss Alice Seab
October the 22 1870	To Phoney Gravel
	Katie Lou Seab
Mr. Augustus Seab to	to Augustus Peale
Miss L. V. Hemby	June 6. 1906
October the 2. 1872.	Lee Dora Seab to
	Oliver Claughton
Miss Louisa Seab to	June 30. 1908
Mr. Jhon. Combs.	Joseph D. Seab to
November the 12th 1874.	Effie McMillian
	Jan. 17. 1909.
Mr. Wm. F. Seab to	Willie Augustus Seab to
Miss J. A. Combs.	Janie Patton
February the 23th 1875	Oct. 17. 1910
	Charles Patrick Seab to
Miss Elizabeth Seab to	Overton Watson
Mr. J. F. Hunt.	Nov. 16. 1913
January. 6th 1881.	Annie May Seab to
	Thomas A. Latham
Miss H. M. Seab	Oct. 30. 1914.
to Henry Gravel	Laura V. Seab to
February the 16th 1881.	Oscar Loflin
	Dec. 24. 1916
	James F. Seab to
	Mary Wilson
	Dec. 8, 1918.

Bible continued.

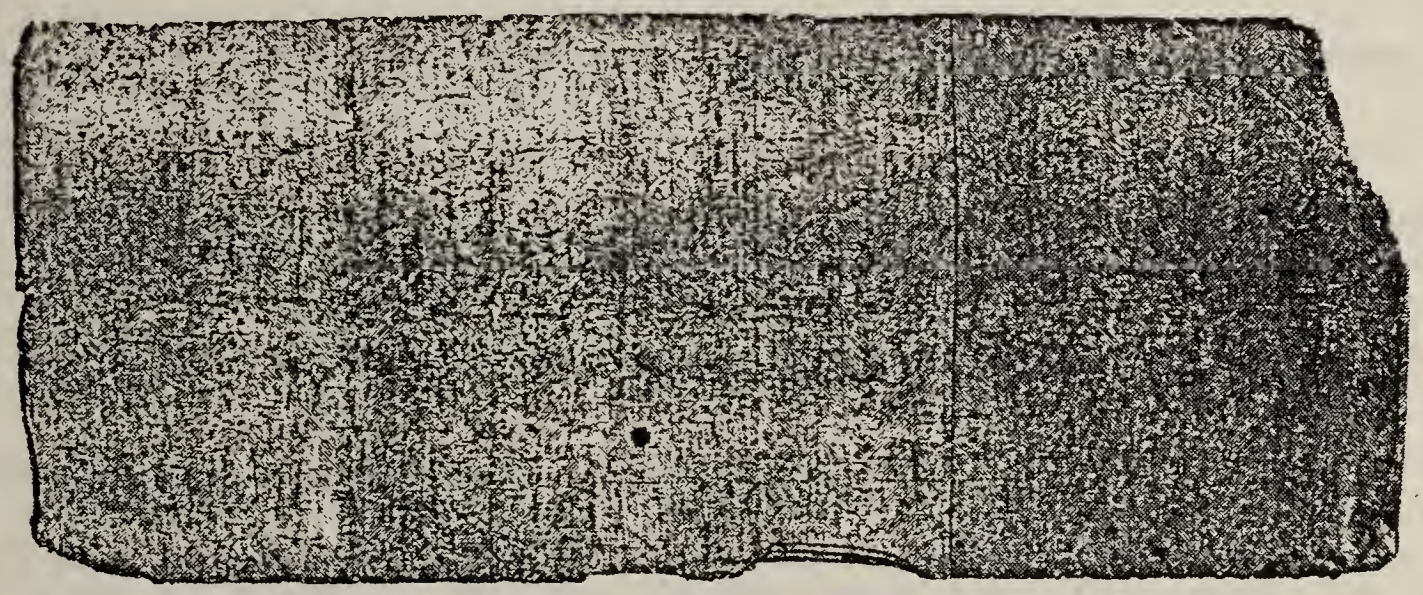


Deaths

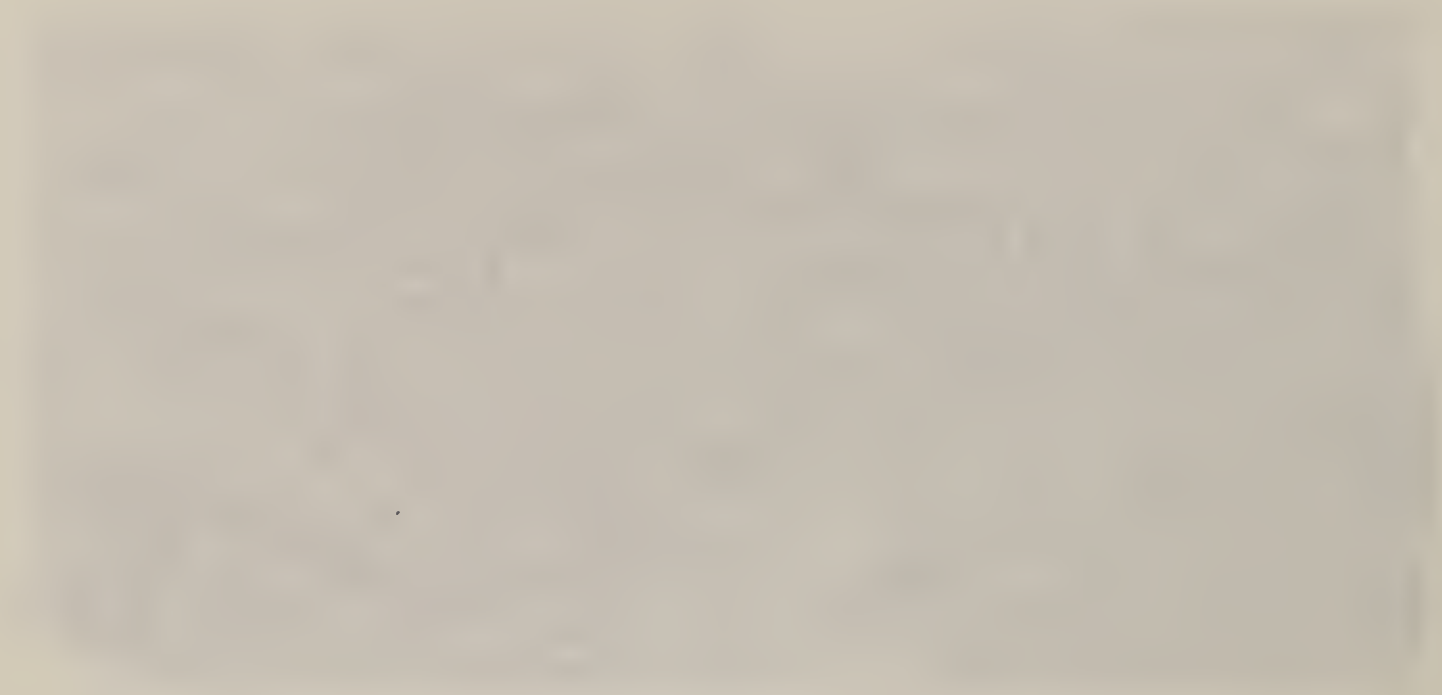
Elin R. Seab	Phoney Seab
Died October the 15 1865	Died Sep. 27 1858
Joseph Seab	
Died August the 17 1872	James F. Seab
	Died April 15 1919
Mrs. Mary Seab	
Died Sept 3th 1901	Fredrick Seab
	July 15, 1919
Mrs. Kate Jones	
Died June 17 1916	Laura Emily Seab
	Aug. 15. 1931
Mrs. Alice Graves	
Died Aug. 2. 1916	August Seab
Nora Seab	May 10, 1933
July 10 1923	
April 10 1956	Joseph N. Seab
Overton Watson Seab	Died July 23 - 1940
April 13. 1954	
Katie Lee Seab Peale.	Janie Paxton Seab
April 8. 1955	May 28, 1948
May 21, 1967	March 15 1953
Mary Seab Latham	Joe Dennis Seab
May 20 1967	February 20 1953
Jan. 11, 1968	Charley Pat Seab
Willie A. Seab	March 11 1953
[illegible] 9, 1968	

Bible record concluded.

Two pieces of Confederate money found in Charles Patrick Seab's possession at his death. Front and back.



Confederate money.



MARY CATHERINE SEAB
/William Aaron Seale
John Paul Jones

Chapter 3

Mary Catherine Seab was the second born child of Joseph Seab and Helena Maria or Mary Nienaber. She was b 3 Dec 1847 near Roxie, MS, d 17 June 1916, Bogue Chitto, Franklin Co., MS, bur Mt. Zion Baptist Church cemetery with her 2nd husband, m 1st in Franklin Co., MS 23 Oct 1870 (Bk 5-112 by S. Buffkin, M.G., A. Seab witness) ***William Aaron Seale***, b 5 Nov 1848, Amite Co., MS, d of pneumonia 26 Jan 1876, Morgan's Fork, Franklin Co., MS, bur in Old Seale Cemetery near Roxie, MS, son of ***Elbert Burton Seale*** and ***Lizetta Van Norman***. Mary Catherine Seab Seale m 2nd at Roxie, MS 12 Dec 1882 (Fr. Co. 7-426 by W. W. Bolls, M.G., T. M. Webb bondsman) ***John Paul Jones***, b 9 Sep 1832, Amite Co., MS, d 8 Aug 1894, Little Springs, MS, bur Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Franklin Co., MS, son of ***Philip Jones*** and ***Margaret Johnson***. Mt. Zion Baptist Church Cemetery in which Mary Catherine and her second husband are buried can be found by travelling about 10 miles SE of Meadville on Hwy 98, then 4 miles N on Forest Rts. 147 and 146, signs point to the Church road. John Paul Jones m 1st 17 Nov. 1854 ***Adeline Dillon***, b 5 Feb 1822 Franklin Co., MS, d 20 Apr 1882, Little Springs, MS, dau of ***Clarkson Dillon*** and ***Sarah*** ___.

1850 Amite Co.,MS, p58, #92 A. Vannorman 72 PA; Lucretia 68 CT; Elbert Seal 24 b Amite Co.; Elizabeth Seal 20; H. 4 m; William Seal 2.

1860 Fr.Co.,MS, p265, #216 E. B. Seale 33 AL; Lizetta 29 MS; Thomas 13; William II; Van 9; Elizabeth 6.

1900 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.53-17, p140, Beat 5 #306 Jones, Kate E. Dec 1847 52 wd 30 yrs, 8 children 8 living MS Europe Europe; Lizzie dau Jan 1884, 16 MS MS MS; Joseph son Jan 1886 14; Pearl dau Aug 1887 12; Homer son Feb 1890 10; Ray son Feb 1893, 7.

1910 Franklin Co., MS E.D. 68-14, p159 #239 Jones, Mary C. 62 wid 8 children 8 living MS GER GER; Ray P. son 17 MS MS MS

Mary Catherine Seab Seale Jones had the following family:

1) ***Mary Lizetta Seale***, b 1 Feb 1872, Morgan's Fork, Franklin Co., MS, d 27 Nov 1958, bur Magnolia, MS, m in Franklin Co., MS 5 Dec 1888 ***William Hardy Cain***, b 10 Aug 1862, Little Springs, Franklin Co., MS, d 23 Dec 1936, Magnolia, Pike Co., MS, son of ***William Russell Cain*** and ***Rebecca Everett***.

2) ***Ellen Lucrecia Seale***, b 16 Aug 1874, Morgan's Fork, MS, m in Franklin Co., MS 7 Jan 1891 ***Benton Hardy Byrd***, b 13 June 1868, Franklin Co., d 13 June 1953, Meadville, MS, bur Hopewell Church, Bude, MS, son of ***Edward Byrd*** and ***Ann Virginia Cain*** (dau of ***Rev. James Cain***).

3) ***Amnie Bufkin Seale***, b 3 Dec 1875, Morgan's Fork, MS, d 1 Jan 1929, Brookhaven, MS, m at Little Springs, MS 7 Dec 1895 ***James Bartley McGehee***, b 27 Apr 1875, Little Springs, MS, d 24 June 1942, Memphis, TN, both bur Brookhaven, MS, son of ***John Hiram McGehee*** and ***Mary Alice Ford***.

4) ***Frances Elizabeth Jones***, b 8 Jan 1884, Little Springs, Franklin Co., MS, d 17 Oct 1918, Memphis, Shelby Co., MS, bur there, m at Little Springs, MS 24 Feb 1904 ***James Bedwell Futch***, b 20 Dec 1881 near Raymond, Hinds Co., MS, son of ***Thomas Jefferson Futch*** and ***Mary Malcolm Bedwell***.

5) ***Joseph Augustus Jones***, b 28 Jan 1886, Little Springs, MS, d 3 Mar 1949, Summit, Pike Co., MS where he is bur, m in Franklin Co., MS 3 May 1911 ***Lillie Eugenia McGehee***, b 29 Apr 1892, Little Springs, d 14 Nov 1963, dau of ***John Hiram McGehee*** and ***Mary Alice Catherine Ford***.

6) ***Laura Pearl Jones***, b 25 Aug 1887, Little Springs, MS, d 22 Feb 1965, Centreville, MS, m at Little Springs, MS 4 Nov 1908 ***Carey Ethan Young***, b 8 Jan 1886, Smithdale, MS, d 1 Mar 1951, Liberty, MS, both bur at Liberty, MS, son of ***William Edward Young*** and ***Fannie Louise McGehee***.

7) ***(Dr.) Frederick Homer Jones***, b 11 Feb 1890, Little Springs, MS, d 09 Oct 1957, Piggott, AR, m 1st at Jackson, MS 8 May 1910 ***Caroline Eugenia Allen***, b 15 Dec 1886, Hamburg, MS, d 28 Feb 1937, Memphis, MS, both bur Piggott, m 2nd 10 Oct 1943 ***Gladys Martha Vancil***, b 24 Sep 1902, Piggott, AR, dau of ***Asco Elijah Vancil*** and ***Elizabeth Langley***.

8) ***Ray Paul Jones***, b 4 Feb 1893, Little Springs, MS, d 16 Oct 1955, Atlanta, GA, m 2 Jan 1915 ***Margaret Lillian Lewis***, b 8 Sep 1889, St. Gaines, GA, dau of ***Norman Jeradine Lewis*** and ***Bertha Pinkney Murphy***.

Mary Catherine Seab Seale had descendants:

1) ***Mary Lizetta Seale***, attended Lee Female College, Summit, MS, b 1 Feb 1872, Morgan's Fork, Franklin Co., MS, d 27 Nov. 1958, m in Franklin Co., MS 5 Dec 1888 (Bk 1-284, by R. N. Hall, M.G., J. I. Cain, wit) ***William Hardy Cain***, b 10 Aug 1862, Little Springs, Franklin Co., MS, d 23 Dec 1936, Magnolia, Pike Co., MS, both bur Magnolia Cemetery in Pike Co., son of ***William Russell Cain*** and ***Rebecca Everett***. See p.185 CAIN by Ezell.

1880 Fr.Co., MS E.D.146-13 p76 #108 Beat 5 Cain, William R. 43 MS MS SC; Rebecca 41 MS MS SC; William H. 7 m; Charlie F. 9 m.

1900 Fr.Co.,MS E.D. 53-21 Beat 5 #395 Cain, Willie Aug 1862, 37 md 11 yrs MS MS MS; Mary wife Feb 1872, 28, md 11 yrs 3 children 3 living MS MS MS; Louise dau Aug 1890, 9; Lola dau Jan 1892, 7, Roy son Sep 1897, 2.

1910 Fr.Co.,MS E.D. 68-16, p.161 Beat 5 #287 Cain, William H. 47, md once for 21 yrs MS MS MS; Mary wife 37 md once 21 yrs 3 children 3 living MS MS MS; Lois dau 19; Lola dau 17; Roy son 12.

1910 Fr.Co.,MS, E.D. 68-16, p.161 Beat 5 #286 Cain, William R. 72 md once 49 yrs MS MS MS; Rebecca wife 70 ms once 49 yrs 5 children 2 living; Byrd, Annie V. aunt 77 wid 11 children 5 living MS MS MS.

A) ***Lois Velma Cain***, b 27 Oct 1890, Little Springs, MS, d ___, m at Little Springs, MS 24 Sep 1913 (Fr.Co. 4-248 by Madison Flowers, M.G.) ***Abner J. Flowers, Sr.***, Agricultural Extension Agent, b 2 Aug 1885, Carrollton, MS, d 16 Nov 1957, bur Magnolia Cemetery, MS, son of ***James Madison Flowers*** and ***Tabitha Smith*** (***Jones***?). They lived across the street in Little Springs from Lois' sister Lola.

a) ***Mary Ida Flowers***, b 24 Aug 1916, Jackson, Hinds Co., MS, was professor of Food Science and Institution Management at University of TN, lives Martin, TN. She did much research on her family.

b) ***Marie Flowers***, teacher at Montgomery, AL, b 8 Oct 1918, Hazlehurst, Copiah Co., MS, m at Magnolia, MS 3 June 1947 ***Jesse Cecil Walton***, professor at Air Force College, Montgomery, AL, b 15 Mar 1916, Neshoba, Neshoba Co., MS, d ___, son of ***Harry Benjamin Walton*** and ***Lillian Allie Thomas***.

1/ ***Richard Justin Walton***, b 22 Jan 1949, Jackson, MS, m 12 July 1969 ***Gail Watson***.

c) ***Mildred Flowers***, b 3 Aug 1921 Magnolia, MS, d 14 July 1925.

d) ***Anna Lois Flowers***, twin, b 5 Nov 1923 Magnolia, MS, d 7 May 1930.

e) ***Abner J. Flowers, Jr.***, twin, regional sales manager, b 5 Nov 1923, Magnolia, Pike Co., MS, m at Magnolia, MS 10 June 1945 ***Betty Jo Carmon***, b 21 Oct 1923, Dallas, TX, dau of ***Ralph Granville Carmon*** and ***Easter May McDavitt***, lives Magnolia, MS.

1/ ***Nancy Carmon Flowers***, b 28 Mar 1947, Magnolia, MS.

2/ ***Thomas Madison Flowers***, b 12 Jan 1952, Magnolia, MS.

3/ ***Anna Kay Flowers***, b 5 July 1953, Magnolia, MS.

f) ***Carolyn Cain Flowers***, b 7 May 1925, Magnolia, MS, m at McComb, MS 1 Aug 1945 ***Albert E. Pardue, Jr.***, b 30 Dec 1923, Bogalusa, LA, son of ***(Rev.) Albert E. Pardue, Sr.*** and ***Florence Hunnicut***, live 6616 Kleinpeter Rd., Baton Rouge, LA.

1/ ***Debra Lois Pardue***, b 23 Jan 1954, Baton Rouge, LA, m in Baton Rouge, LA on 27 Sep 1975 ***Ricky Lynn Johnston***, b 18 June 1953, Baton Rouge, son of ***Hollis L. Johnston*** and ***Kathleen Green***, lives Baton Rouge, LA.

A/ ***Erick Cain Johnston***, b 12 May 1982, Baton Rouge, LA.

B/ ***Kimberly Lynn Johnston***, b 20 Mar 1985, Baton Rouge, LA.

2/ ***Donald Albert Pardue***, b 8 July 1955, Baton Rouge, LA, m at Baton Rouge on 18 Dec 1976 ***Sandra Spiller***, b 29 June 1954, Baton Rouge, LA, dau of ***Callie*** and ***Elizabeth Spiller***.

A/ ***Dana Kay Pardue***, b 22 Sep 1980, Baton Rouge, LA.

g) ***William Carter Flowers***, b 29 Feb 1928 Magnolia, MS, d 31 Dec 1928.

h) ***Roy Paul Flowers***, USDA poultry inspector and manager of farm in Hazelhurst, MS, b 25 Dec 1933, Magnolia, MS, m at Magnolia, MS 27 Dec 1953 ***Margaret Louise Lang***, b 4 July 1933, Magnolia, MS, dau of ***Dewey Clyde Lang*** and ***Margaret Simmons***, lived Magnolia, MS.

B) ***Lola Edna Cain***, b 15 June 1892, Little Springs, MS, d ___, m Little Springs, Franklin Co., MS 27 Aug 1913 (Bk 4-337 by R. S. Johnston, M.G.) ***John Nicholas Hayman, M.D.***, b 22 May 1882, Summit, Pike Co., MS, d 3 Jan 1929, Summit, bur Pisgah Cemetery, Summit, MS, son of ***Henry Columbus Hayman*** and ***Mary Frances Thornton***. Her mother Mary Seale Cain lived with her before her death.

a) ***Mary Kathleen Hayman***, b 27 Feb 1915, Summit, Pike Co., MS, d 3 Mar 1973, m at Jackson, MS 29 Sep 1951 ***Edgar Thomas Birdsong, Jr.*** as his second wife, b 1 Mar 1906, Bovina, Warren Co., MS, son of ***Edgar Thomas Birdsong, Sr.*** and ***Rebecca Elizabeth McCraine***. Edgar Thomas Birdsong, Jr., m 1st at Vicksburg, MS 27 June 1940 ***Vera Boell***, b 23 Sep 1918 Vicksburg, MS, d 5 May 1943 Vicksburg, dau of ***Percy C. Boell*** and ***Rosa Lee Bezand***. The children are by the 1st wife.

1/ ***Sherrill Devone Birdsong***, b 11 Feb 1942, Vicksburg, MS.

2/ ***Edgar Thomas Birdsong III***, b 23 Jan 1943, Vicksburg, MS.

b) ***Laura Ruth Hayman***, b 8 May 1920, Summit, MS, d 5 Aug 1971, m at Columbia, MS 6 June 1941 ***William Van Myers***, b 17 Aug 1918, Jacksonville, FL, d 12 Apr 1957, son of ***Dudley Selph Myers*** and ***Gertrude Van***.

1/ ***William Nicholas Myers***, b 14 Jan 1943, McComb, MS, m 23 May 1965 ***Sylvia Ashley***.

2/ ***Baby Myers***, b 12 Mar 1947, d 12 May 1947.

3/ ***Cynthia Kay Myers***, b 11 Mar 1950, Natchez, MS, m 20 Mar 1969 ***Leo Eliser***.

4/ ***Martha Elizabeth Myers***, b 29 Mar 1954, Natchez, MS, m 17 Mar 1971 ***Neil Brown***.

C) ***William Roy Cain***, first certified voc. ag. teacher in MS, Agricultural Extension Agent, b 24 Sep 1899, Little Springs, MS, m at Auburn, MS 19 Aug 1925 ***May Elizabeth Carruth***, b 28 Apr 1901, Summit, MS, dau of ***John Pipkin Carruth*** and ***Gussie Wilson***. No children. They lived in Magnolia, MS I980. See CAIN by Ezell p.187.

2) ***Ellen Lucrecia Seale***, b 16 Aug 1874, Morgan's Fork, Franklin Co., MS, d Oct 1958, 84 years old, bur Leakesville Magnolia Cemetery, m Franklin Co., MS 7 Jan 1891 (Bk 1-419 by D. H. S. Cox, M.G., Charlie P. McMorris wit) ***Benton Hardy Byrd***, b 13 June 1868, Franklin Co., MS, d 13 June 1953, Meadville, MS, bur Hopewell Church Cemetery, Bude, MS, son of ***Edward Byrd*** and ***Ann Virginia Cain***, who was dau of ***(Rev.) James Cain***. See CAIN by Ezell p.249.

1900 Fr.Co.,MS E.D. 53-21 Beat 5 #387 Byrd, Benton June 1868, 32 md 9 yrs MS MS MS; Ellen wife Aug 1874, 25, md 9 yrs 2 children 2 living MS MS MS; Willie son Aug 1894, 5; Arva dau Sep 1896, 3.

1910 Not found.

A) ***Willie Edward Byrd***, b 18 Aug 1894, Bogue Chitto, Franklin Co., MS, d Jan 1970, 76 years old, m at Medicine Lodge, Barber Co., KS 1 Aug 1917 ***Veda Thelma Cappus***, b 25 Dec 1898, Kingman, Kingman Co., KS, d Feb. 1979, 81 years old, both bur in Alva, OK, dau of ***Francis Cappus*** and ***Geneva Agnes Clarton***. Willie E. Byrd's daughter Ellen L. Byrd Goldsmith wrote: He worked for the Santa Fe Railroad until 3 days before his death. He went to telegraphers school in Chillacotha, Mo in 1914. He worked for the railroad in Kansas and Oklahoma, and thought the R.R. could never run without him. My sister and I were more fortunate than most. Our parents would take us on many trips to Chicago, St. Louis to the World's Fair. We also had the advantage of caring and loving parents who sent us to the college of our choice, my sister to a Cosmetology School in Emporia, KS and me to Kansas Teachers College where I received a degree in Music and Spanish. My parents were always taking trips to baseball games in Kansas City and also to the west and east coasts to sightsee and visit friends, of which they had many across the nation. We spent many summers at Biloxi, fishing, swimming and visiting Aunt Arva (Byrd) Rounsaville and her husband, Oscar Gordon Roundsville in Leakesville. On some of our trips down there, our train would stop in Memphis, TN and Thomas J. Futch would come to the depot and visit Dad and Mother.

a) ***Thelma Aileene Byrd***, b 5 Sep 1918, Argonia, Sumner, KS, d 1981, 63 years old, m at Kansas City, KS 2 Jan 1945 (7 Sep 1944?) ***Louie Edward Hill***, b 19 Mar 1918, Columbus, GA, son of ***Eddie McCoy Hill*** and ***Bertha Aurella Hamer***. He lives 111 Russel Dr., Longview, TX. She was active in working on a family history.

1/ ***Michael Byrd Hill***, pharmist, b 6 Nov 1945, Alva, Woods Co., OK., m in Provo, UT 31 Oct 1974 ***Margaret Janell Denton***, b 28 Dec 1950, Gilmer, Upshur, TX, dau of ***Marvin*** and ***Ruby Denton,*** live 1817 Shenandoah Ct. North, Longview, TX. The first two children are by a former marriage of Janell's and were adopted after her 2nd marriage. They live 1718 Shenandoah Ct., Longview, TX.

A/ ***Jared Glenn Hill***, b 8 Mar 1972, Terrell, Kauffman Co., TX.

B/ ***Jennifer Jill Hill***, b 3 Dec 1973.

C/ ***Heather Aileen Hill***, b 23 Mar 1976, Longview, Gregg Co., TX.

D/ ***Grayson Michael Hill***, b 22 Aug 1978, Longview, TX.

E/ ***Ashlon David Hill***, b 15 Nov. 1980, Longview, TX.

2/ ***Dennis Edward Hill***, b 7 May 1950, Alva, Woods Co., OK, m in Salt Lake City, UT 14 Aug 1975 ***Joyce Ann Whittle***, b 22 Oct 1949, Gladewater, Gregg Co., TX, dau of ***Richard*** and ***Billie Whittle***, live Rt. 6, Box 33-2, Pittsburg, TX.

A/ ***Layne Hunter Hill***, b 14 Sep 1976, Bryan, Brazos, TX.

B/ ***Chad Eric Hill***, b 12 Feb 1979, Russellville, Pope Co., AR.

C/ ***Melanie Michelle Hill***, b 6 May 1981, Clarksville, Johnson, AR.

D/ ***Amye Christy Hill,*** adopted, b 5 July 1983, Longview, TX.

b) ***Ellen Louise Byrd***, b 16 Oct 1920, Sharon, Barber Co., KS, m at Emporia, KS 8 June 1944 ***George Willard Goldsmith***, b 10 July 1921, Melvern, KS, d 16 Mar 1984, son of ***Elmer Claude Goldsmith*** and ***Anne Grace Craig***. She lives 912 Foch St., Truth or Consequencies, NM.

1/ ***Terry Craig Goldsmith***, b 7 Oct 1945, Alva, Woods Co., OK, m 14 Sep 1968 ***Jeanette Zurawaki***, b 21 Dec 1947, Nova Scotia, Canada, lives 1207 Maple Dr., Alamogordo, NM.

A/ ***Darian Denise Goldsmith***, b 14 May 1969, Las Cruces, NM.

B/ ***Gary Russell Goldsmith***, b 4 July 1971, Las Cruces, NM.

2/ ***Kay Ellen Goldsmith***, b 4 Mar 1949, Tucumcari, Quay Co., NM, m 1 Jun 1967 ***Terry Byron Miller***, b 1 Jan 1943 Clovis, NM, son of ***Andrew Franklin Miller*** and ***Naomi Packnett,*** live Truth or Consequencies, NM.

A/ ***Wendi Christine Miller***, b 11 Nov 1967, Las Cruces, NM.

B/ ***Jake Brandon Miller***, b 19 May 1974, Las Cruces, NM.

3/ ***Charles William Goldsmith***, b 26 May 1951, Tucumcari, NM, m May 1977 ***Loretta Silva***, b 30 Oct 1951, live 4904 Chisholm Taylor Ranch NW, Albuquerque, NM.

4/ ***Carol Dee Goldsmith***, b 2 Jan 1957, Truth or Consequencies, Siella Co., NM, m 13 July 1979 ***Walter Sam Johnson***, b 2 June 1952, Truth or Consequencies, son of ***William Walter Johnson*** and ***Sammy Max Cox***, live 400 Marie St., Truth or Consequencies, NM.

A/ ***Stewart Walter Johnson***, b 15 Feb 1981, Truth or Consequencies.

B/ ***Douglas Craig Johnson***, b 12 Aug 1982.

B) ***Arva Nienaber Byrd***, b 13 Sep 1897, Gloster, Franklin Co., MS, d ___, m in Hinds Co., MS 26 May 1926 ***Oscar Gordon Rounsaville***, Sr., b 28 Aug 1894, Leakesville, Greene Co., MS, son of ***Oscar Eugene Rousaville*** and ***Margret McLeod***.

a) ***Oscar Gordon Rounsaville, Jr.***, b 7 Dec 1928, Mobile, AL, m 22 June 1952 ***Mary Joan Lee***, b 17 Dec 1931, Carriere, Pearl River Co., MS, dau of ***Earnest Spencer Lee*** and ***Blanche Ella Read***. They live Leaksville, MS.

1/ ***Leesa Joan Rounsaville***, b 17 Apr 1953, Army Hospital, Camp Stewart, GA near Hinesville, m in Leakesville, MS 4 Mar 1973 ***Terry Lynn Wise***, b 16 Mar 1943, Pontotoc Co., MS, son of ***Toy D. Wise*** and ***Dena Mae McClerkin***. Joan has supplied much of the data below.

A/ ***Jeremy Lynn Wise***, b 9 Oct 1975, Tupelo, MS.

B/ ***Joshua Gordon Wise***, b 11 July 1977, Tupelo, MS.

C/ ***Laurie Ellen Wise***, b 21 Sep 1982, Tupelo, MS.

2/ ***Marc Gordon Rounsaville***, b 22 Nov 1955, Jackson, MS, m at the home of his parents 6 Mar 1982 ***Tammy Ann Williams***, b 19 Sep 1957, Citronelle, AL, dau of ___ ***Williams*** who was killed in an accident when Tammy was 2 yrs old and ***Allah Taylor*** who m 2nd ***Marvin Hicks*** of Greene Co., MS.

A/ ***Taryn LeAnna Rounsaville***, b 16 Oct 1985, Hattiesburg, MS.

B/ ***Marc Zachary Rounsaville***, b 15 Nov 1989, Starkville, MS.

3/ ***Spencer Gordon Rounsaville***, b 20 June 1958, Leakesville, MS, m in Leakesville, MS 18 Dec 1982 ***Janet Gay Churchwell***, b Feb ____, dau of ***Gabriel Tyson Churchwell*** and ***Mildred Byrd***.

A/ ***Christopher Spencer Young Rounsaville***, b 8 Apr 1987, Mobile, AL.

4/ ***Kimberly Ann Rounsaville***, b 10 May 1963, Leakesville, MS, m at Jacksonville, NC 15 Nov 1989 ***John James Hostetter***, b 8 Aug 1966, Lebanon, PA.

A/ ***John Nicholas Hostetter***, b 17 May 1990, Camp Lejeune, NC.

2/ ***Marc Gordon Rounsaville***, b 22 Nov. 1955, Jackson, MS.

b) ***William Byrd Rounsaville***, b 11 Mar 1936, Mobile, AL, m c 1964 ***Mary Sue Rush***, wid of ***Leslie V. McNeal II***, b 9 Sep 1940, State Line, MS, dau of ***Vernon Rush, Sr.*** and ***Viola Kittrell***, lives Leaksville, MS. [Mary Sue had a child by McNeal: ***Leslie V. McNeal III***, m ***Jennifer Smith***, div., m 2nd ***Wanda Byrd*** who has two children

1. ***Leslie V. McNeal IV.***

2. ***Rounsaville Smith McNeal***].

1/ ***Bill Rush Rounsaville***, b 1 Nov 1966, Hattiesburg, MS, m 1989 ***Patsy Ann Clark***.

3) ***Amnie Bufkin Seale***, b 3 Dec 1875, Morgan's Fork, MS, d 1 Jan 1929, Brookhaven, MS, m at Little Springs, MS 7 Dec 1895 (Fr Co. 2-187, no return, they both gave their age as 20) ***James Bartley McGehee***, merchant, b 27 Apr 1875, Little Springs, d 24 June 1942, Memphis, TN, both bur Brookhaven, MS, son of ***John Hiram McGehee*** and ***Mary Alice Ford***.

1880 Fr.Co.,MS E.D. 146-6 p72 Beat 5 #58 McGehee, J. H. 25 MS MS ?; A. C. 23 wife; T.R. 6 dau; J. B. 5 son; M. L. 4 dau; William E. son; Infant 4/12 dau.

1900 Fr Co. E.D. 53-17, Beat 5 #314 McGehee, Bartley, farmer, Apr 1875, 25 md 4 yrs MS MS MS; Annie wife Dec 1876, 24, md 4 yrs 1 child 1 living MS MS MS; Vera dau Mar 1898, 2 MS MS MS

1910 Fr. Co. E.D. 68-14, Beat 5 #241 McGehee, James B. 35, md once 15 yrs MS MS MS; Anna wife 39, md once 15 yrs 2 children 2 living; Vera dau 12 MS; Kate dau 9 MS; Joseph A. Jones, boarder, 24, MS MS MS.

A) ***Vera McGehee***, b 27 Mar 1898, Little Springs, MS, d 28 Dec 1980, Memphis, TN, m at Little Springs, MS (Fr.Co.Bk6-277, no return) 29 Nov 1923 ***Ralph Omer Reaves***, b 22 July 1895, Little Lot, TN, d 13 Nov 1977, Memphis, TN, both bur Memphis, son of ***Thomas Reaves*** and ***Dianna Spence***.

a) ***Katherine Louise Reaves***, b 25 July 1925, Memphis, TN, m in Memphis, TN 4 July 1948 ***Roy Martin Smith***, D.D.S., b 21 Oct 1927, Alama, TN, son of ***Roy Pirtle Smith*** and ***Kathryn Myrtle Martin***, live 6473 Heather Dr., Memphis, TN. Katherine Smith assisted in the compilation of this line. She says she remembers her grandfather Bartley McGehee tell how Grandpa Jones married Mary Catherine Seale and brought her to Little Springs, MS with her three small girls, Mary, Ellen and Amnie, sitting on the back of the wagon. They lived in Little Springs and had five more children.

She wrote that John Homer Jones, son of Dr. Frederick Homer Jones, was in Medical school while her husband was in dental school and they lived in the same apartment building. After Carrie died, when John was 16, John and Uncle Homer spent several Christmases at their home.

1/ ***Kathy Martin Smith***, b 21 Apr 1954, Memphis, TN, m 31 Dec 1985 ***Gary Eugene Veazey***, b 17 Dec 1957, Birmingham, AL, son of ***Eugene Veazey*** and ***Phyllis Price***.

A/ ***Martin Michael Veazey***, b 25 Jun 1981, Memphis, TN. He is son of Kathy by a previous marriage and adopted by Veazey.

B/ ***Katherine Lee Veazey***, b 18 Jan 1987.

2/ ***Janet Louise Smith***, b 5 Aug 1956, Memphis, TN, m 27 May 1978 ***Carl Joseph Hallock***, b 16 Oct 1955, Memphis, TN, son of ***Lester Hallock*** and ***Jean Latimer***.

A/ ***Michael Joseph Hallock***, b 23 Aug 1982, Memphis, TN.

B/ ***Mark Roy Hallock***, b 4 June 1984, Memphis, TN.

B) ***Katherine Alice McGehee***, b 25 Mar 1901, Little Springs, MS, d 20 Nov 1978, San Antonio, TX, m at Brookhaven, MS 18 Aug 1925 ***Douglas Otis Sikes***, b 12 Nov 1891, Edinburg, MS, d 2 Feb 1985, Memphis, TN, both bur San Antonio, son of ***Mathern Edward Sikes*** and ***Rebecca Hutchens***. No children. Live 353 W. Saxit Dr., Corpus Christi, TX.

Mary Catherine Seab married 2nd 12 Dec 1882 (Fr.Co.MS 7-426 by W. W. Bolls M.G., T. M? Webb wit) as his second wife ***John Paul Jones***, b 9 Sep 1832 Amite Co., MS, d 8 Aug 1894 Little Springs, MS, bur Mt. Zion Baptist Church Cemetery, Franklin Co., MS where both his wives are buried. He was son of ***Philip Jones*** and ***Margaret Johnson***. There are many interrelationships in these families. Margaret Johnson was daughter of ***Caleb Johnson*** whose dau ***Anna Johnson*** married ***Rev. James Cain*** and had ***Lenorah Lee Cain*** who married ***Dennis Hemby*** who had ***Laura Virginia Hemby*** who married ***August Seab***. The 1850 census shows Margaret "Peggy~ (Johnson)

Jones was age 56 and born in GA. Phillip Jones married Margaret Johnson in Clarke Co., GA 29 Sep 1809.

1850 Amite Co.,MS p57 #386 Phillip Jones 65 SC; Margaret 56 GA; Phillip 20 b Amite Co.; John P. Jones 18 b Amite Co.; Margaret E. Jones 15; Mary J. Jones 14; William P. Jones 21.

1860 Fr.Co.,MS p52 #360 J. P. Jones 26 MS; Adaline 28 MS; Sarah 2; John 2/12.

1870 Fr.Co.,MS p27 #342 Jones, J. P. 37 MS; Adeline 44? MS; S. J. 12 f; J.P. 10 m; Amanda 7 f; R. L. 4 m MS.

1880 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.146-11, Beat 5 #94 Jones, J. P. 47 farmer MS SC SC; Adaline 50 wife MS SC SC; John P. Jr. 20 sonMS MS MS; Amanda 16 dau; Robert L. 14 son; Temple, Adaline 12 gr.niece MS MS MS

John Paul Jones' obituary (date and source lost) is as follows:

IN MEMORY. Of J. P. Jones; born September 9th 1832; died August 8th, 1894. Amid the joyous festivities which marked the last aniversary of the World's Redeemer, the enfranchised spirit of John Paul Jones passed from earth, and because of his consistent christian life, a well-ground hope is begotten, that, guided by the Star of Bethlehem, his immortal soul has found its way to a brighter and better land--and today there is united, beyond the skies, Father, Mother, Brothers and Sisters of one of the noblest families of Franklin county. He was reared in the days when school facilities were poor, hence his education might be said to be limited yet nature had endowed him with a strong native intellect, and this he endeavored to utilize for the glory of God, for the good of his country and for the welfare of his fellowman.

In 1860-61 when all the country was startled by sounds of war, impending conflicts and invading enemies, he answered to the call of duty. Those who were with him during those four years of bloody war and strife know with what gallantry he defended the flag of his beloved Southland, and when her colors went down to rise no more none felt more keenly the remorse of defeat than himself. For his old comrades he had the greatest love, and for them no risk was too great or labor too hard. He delighted to dwell upon the campfire scenes and relate the stories that made the Southern soldiers heroes of a lost but dearly loved cause. Full of years he has answered the last summons of the bugle call, and now rests from the labors of an honored and respected life. By his death the State, his county and country lose a true, noble, high-minded, pure, patriotic citizen and son.

When about the age of 20 he married Miss Adaline Dillion, of Pike County, the result of their union were four children,--two sons and two daughters.

In 1882 his devoted wife was called to the beautiful beyond, leaving him to battle with life alone. Later he was married to Mrs. M. C. Seales, of this county, and the good Lord has given them five children. The grave of a kinder father and husband was ne'er bedewed by the tears of a disconsolate widow and orphans. No better neighbor ever responded to the requests or administered to the wants of those around him; no eye more vigilant in watching the public interest e'er closed in eternal sleep; no human heart e'er beat in more tender compassions for the poor, the unfortunate, the oppressed; no lips e'er breathed more fervant invocations for the advancement of Christ and the progress of our country.

He has crossed the dark river and now "rests under the trees on the other shore". He is not dead, but "sleepeth that blessed sleep from which none ever wakes to weep.~ An all-wise God has simply said, "crown him up higher", and today his great soul is basking in the realms of eternal bliss, in that world prepared for the pure in heart. Peace to his ashes; reverence to his memory. M.C.M.

John Paul Jones m 1st in Amite Co., MS 17 Nov 1854 (Bk 3-265 by Zachariah Reeves, M.G., Robert H. Cloy wit) ***Adeline Dillon***, b 5 Feb 1822, Franklin Co., MS, d 20 Apr 1882 of typhoid pneumonia, Little Springs, MS, bur Mt. Zion Church, Franklin Co., dau of ***Clarkson Dillon*** and ***Sarah*** ___. Issue of John Paul Jones by his 1st wife:

1. ***Margaret Ann Jones***, b 19 June 1857, d 12 June ____. She did not show on the 1860 census.

2. ***Sarah Jane Jones***, b 26 Jan 1859 (1860?), Little Springs, MS, d 13 Oct 1934, m 24 Dec 1874 (Franklin Co. 6-84 by J. G. King, M.B.S., W. W. Whittington wit.) ***Haley Adam Cotten***, b Jan 1856, d 1924, both bur Mt. Zion Cemetery, Franklin Co., MS.

1880 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.146-12 Beat 5 #100 Cotten, Adam B. 28 MS MS MS; S. Jane 21 wife MS MS MS; William V. 2 son; Florence E. 4/12 dau MS MS MS.

1900 Fr.Co.,MS E.D. 53-9 Beat 5 #162 Cotton, Adam Jan 1856, 49, md 25 yrs MS MS MS; Jane wife Jan 1857, 43 md 25 yrs 12 children 8 living MS MS MS; Van son Nov 1877, 22; Adline dau Oct 1882, 17; Virdia dau May 1885, 18; Earnest son Mar 1887, 13; Otis son July 1889, 10; Edgar son June 1893, 6; Richard son Dec 1895, 4.

1910 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.68-18 Beat 5 #318 Cotten, Haley A. 59 MS MS MS; Sara J. wife 52 md 33 yrs 14 children 10 living MS MS MS; Robert E. son 23; Otis son 20; James E. son 16; Richard H. son 13; Thelma dau 9; Earl son 2.

1910 Fr.Co.,MS E.D. 65-24 p99 Beat 3, Town of Meadville, Cotten W. Van 27; Lena wife 19; Juanita dau 3; Troy son 2.

A. ***William Van (Von) Cotten***, b 22 Nov 1877, Franklin Co., MS, d 3 Mar 1968, DeQuincy, LA, bur Mt. Zion Cemetery, Franklin Co., MS., m ***Lena*** ___, b 1891.

a. ***Juanita Cotten***, b 1907.

b. ***Troy Cotten***, b 1908.

B. ***Florence E. Cotten***, b 11 Feb 1880, Franklin Co., MS, d 8 July 1910, bur Mt. Zion Cemetery, Franklin Co., MS, m in Franklin Co., MS (Bk 2-317 by J. M. McGehee, MBS) 10 Nov. 1897 ***Thomas J. Mullins, Sr.***, b 21 Sep 1874, d 22 May 1964. He m 2nd ***Mary Elizabeth Cole***, b 27 July 1885, d 15 June 1977, dau of ***Charlie C. Cole*** and ***Minerva Temple***, bur Midway Cemetery between Meadville and Bude, MS.

C. ***Adeline Cotten***, b 10 Oct 1883, Franklin Co., MS., d 8 Jan 1901, bur Mt. Zion Cemetery, Franklin Co., MS and identified as child of H A and J Cotten.

D. ***Virdia Cotten***, b May 1885, Franklin Co., MS, on census only.

E. ***Robert Earnest Cotten***, b 30 Mar 1888, Franklin Co., MS, d 29 June 1937, bur Oak Grove Primitive Baptist Cemetery, Franklin Co., MS, m 7 Apr 1912 (Fr.Co.4-222) ***Wilkie Montgomery***, b 18 July 1894.

F. ***Otis Cotten***, b 22 July 1889, Little Springs, Franklin Co., MS, m in Franklin Co., MS (4-220) 17 Mar 1912 ***Rosa McManus***. In 1916 had wife and 2 children.

G. ***Hazel Cotten***, b 17 Sep 1891, Franklin Co., MS, d 23 July 1892, bur Mt. Zion Cemetery, Franklin Co., MS.

H. ***James Edgar "Dick" Cotten***, b 25 June 1893, Little Springs, Franklin Co., MS, was single in 1916, living in Meadville. He married Franklin Co., MS 13 July 1920 ***Velma Byrd***, b Oct 1897,

Franklin Co., MS, dau of ***Sutton "Coon" Byrd*** and ***Anna Corthorn***. See CAIN by Ezell, p249. Two sets of twins, 6 or 7 children.

I. ***Richard H. Cotten***, Dec. 1895, Franklin Co., MS, m Franklin Co., MS (6-142 by J. W. Jones JP) 1 Dec 1921 ***Staten (also written Allis) Jernigan***.

J. ***Child Cotten***, b c1897 Franklin Co., MS, died before 1900.

K. ***Dau Cotten***, triplet, b 14 Feb 1900, d 6 Mar 1900.

L. ***Dau Cotten***, triplet, b 14 Feb 1900, d 11 Mar 1900.

M. ***Dau Cotten***, triplet, b 14 Feb 1900, d 11 Mar 1900. All the children who died early were identified as children of H A and S J Cotten and were buried in Mt. Zion Cemetery, Franklin Co., MS.

N. ***Thelma Cotten***, b c.1901 Franklin Co., MS, m (Fr.Co.,MS 5-327 by J. W. Jones, JP) 10 Nov 1918 ***Oscar McManus***.

O. ***Earl Cotten***, b c.1908, Franklin Co., MS.

3. ***John Paul Jones, Jr.***, b 19 Apr 1860, Little Springs, MS, d 17 Nov 1908, bur Porter Cemetery behind McMillan house in Meadville, MS, m 1st ***Katie Buie***, b 30 Nov 1860, d 31 Dec 1883, dau of ***Daniel A. Buie*** and ***A. Josephine Kennerson***, bur Buie Cemetery on high bank beside road across Porter Creek to Berrytown in Franklin Co., MS, m 2nd in Franklin Co. MS 10 Oct 1886 (Bk 7-167 by V. D. Skipper, M.G., T. H. Webb wit) ***Fannie E. Adams***. Two children by each wife.

> 1880 Fr.Co.,MS E.D. 146-27 p83 Beat 5 #212 Buie, D. A. 47 MS NC MS; A. J. 40 wife MS MS MS; W. M. 21 son; H? L. 19 dau; J. A. son.
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> 1900 Fr.Co.,MS E.D. 51-17 Beat 3 #282 Jones, John P. Apr 1860, 40 md 14 yrs MS MS LA; Fannie E. wife Oct 1872, 27, md 14, 2 children 2 living MS MS MS; Wren M. son June 1886, 13; Paul E. son Aug 1896, 3.
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> 1900 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.53-18 Beat 5 #349? Buie, Dan Oct 1832 67 md 44 yrs MS NC MS; Josephine wife Dec 1837 62 md 44 yrs 8 children 1 living MS MS MS; Jones, Effie grdau Oct 1881, 18 MS MS MS; Jones, Katie grdau Dec 1883, 11.
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> 1910 Fr.Co.,MS Meadville E.D.65-24 Beat 3 p99 Jones, Fannie 42 wid 2 children 2 living MS MS MS; Wren son 23 md once 3 yrs; Camille dau in law 22 md once 3 yrs 1 child 1 living MS MS MS; Norvelle grdau 2; Paul son 13.

A. ***Effie L. Jones***, b Oct 1881 Franklin Co., MS, m (Fr.Co. 3-32 by B. Y. Alford MG) 17 June 1902 ***Julius J. Whittington***, merchant of Bude, MS, b c.1880 Franklin Co., MS, son of ***Alexander Madison Whittington*** and ***Margaret Isaphen McGehee***. See WILKINSON AND KINDRED FAMILIES by Wilkinson, p.417. All the children were born in Meadville, MS. Mrs. J. H. Whittington of Bude, MS assisted in compiling the data on this family in 1958.

a. ***Julius J. Whittington, Jr.***, lived in Memphis, TN.

b. ***Homer A. Whittington***, lived in Natchez, MS.

c. ***Katie Ruth Whittington***.

d. ***Kathyleen Whittington***.

e. ***Edith Whittington***.

f. ***John Milton Whittington***.

g. ***Curtis Dan Whittington***.

2. ***Katie Jones***, b Dec 1883 Franklin Co., MS, m ***Edgar Lee Weir***, lived Ft. Worth, TX.

C. ***Wren M. Jones***, b 13 June 1887, Franklin Co., MS, d 26 July 1915, bur Midway Cemetery between Meadville and Bude, MS, m (Fr.Co., MS 3-403 by Geo H. Kent JP) 21 Jan 1907 ***Camille Davis,*** b 1 Nov 1887, d 19 Sep 1967, bur Midway Cemetery. She m 2nd (Mrs. Camille Jones Fr.Co.,MS 5-251 by J. W. Jones JP) 18 Nov. 1917 ***James Bryan Adams***, cpl USA WWI, 15 July 1918, d 30 Dec 1978, bur Midway Cemetery, Franklin Co., MS.

a. ***Norvelle Jones***, b c.1908, Franklin Co., MS. See census above.

D. ***Paul E. Jones***, b 3 Aug. 1896, Franklin Co., MS, d 23 Aug 1951, m (Fr.Co.,MS 5-164 by P. G. Saxon, JP) 26 Dec 1916 ***Clara Shell***.

4. ***Amanda Jones***, b 18 July 1862, Little Springs, MS, d 1927/8, Summit, MS, m 8 Feb 1883 (Franklin Co. 7-445 by Z. Lofton, M.G., J. Scott wit.) ***James Madison McGehee, Jr.,*** b Feb 1862 Franklin Co., MS, son of ***James Madison McGehee, Sr.*** and ***Rebecca Jones***. Two children are buried at Mt. Zion Baptist Church Cemetery, Franklin Co., MS: Infant son of J. M. and A. 2 Apr 1892; Robert Lea, son of J. M. and Amanda 9 Dec 1883/3 Feb 1894. Hon. Daniel McGehee of Meadville is a descendant.

> 1880 Fr.Co.,MS E.D. 146-11 p.75 Beat 5 #92 McGehee, J. M. 54 farmer MS GA GA; Rebecca A. 53 wife MS GA GA; William C. 22 son MS MS MS; James M. 18 son; Fannie L. 11 dau; Micajah C. 13 son; Franklin E. 12 son; Temple, Ela 14 grniece MS MS MS; Jones, William 13 nephew; Day, John 11 nephew.
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> 1900 Fr.Co.,MS Beat 5 E.D.53-22 p.145 #399 McGehee, James Mat Feb 1862, 38 MS MS MS; Manda wife July 1862, 37, md 17 yrs 6 children 3 living MS MS MS; Eugene son Dec 1886, 13; Lilly dau July 1889, 10; Herbert son Aug 1893, 6.
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> 1910 Pike Co.,MS at Summit, E.D. 107-10 McGehee, James M. 48; Amanda wife 47; Eugene R. son 22; Lillian M. dau 18; Hillery H. son 16.

A. ***Eugene R. McGehee***, b Feb 1882, Franklin Co., MS.

B. ***Robert Lea McGehee***, b 9 Dec 1883, d 3 Feb 1884, bur Mt. Zion Baptist Church Cemetery, Franklin Co., MS.

C. ***Lillian "Lilly" M. McGehee***, b July 1889, Franklin Co., MS.

D. ***Son McGehee***, only one date 2 Apr 1892, bur Mr. Zion Baptist Church Cemetery, Franklin Co., MS.

E. ***Hillery Herbert McGehee***, b Aug 1893, Franklin Co., MS.

5. ***Robert L. Jones***, son of John Paul Jones and his 1st wife Adeline Dillon, b 28 Apr 1866, Little Springs, MS, d 28 Dec 1934, m Franklin Co. 10 Jan 1888 (Bk 7-244 by R. N. Hall M.G., John P. Jones, Jr. wit) ***Mollie Everette*** b 1872, d Jan 1954, both bur Brookhaven, MS, dau of ***Alex J. Everette***. Mrs. Robert L. Jones assisted in compiling data on this family many years ago. Robert L. Jones is said to have the old Jones Bible record.

> 1880 Fr.Co.,MS E.D. 146-26 Beat 5 p.82 #206 Everett, A. J. MS SC SC 51 school teacher; R. A. dau 12 MS MS MS; M. L. son 10; M. A. dau 8; F. E. son 5.
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> 1900 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.51-7Beat 3 at Meadville #112 Jones, Robert L. Apr 1866, 34, m 12 yrs MS MS MS; Mary A. wife Mar 1875, 25 md 12 yrs 4 children 3 living MS MS MS; Lela M. dau Mar 1892, 8; Lerry son Oct 1894, 5; Annie R. dau Feb 1897, 3; Alex J. Everett father in law July 1826, 73 wd MS MS MS.
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> 1910 Fr.Co.,Meadville, E.D.65-23 p.98, Jones, Robert L. 44; Mollie wife 35 md once 24 yrs 5 children 4 living MS MS MS; May dau 17; Roy son 14; Annie dau 12; Pearl dau 8.

A. ***Keren Jones***, b 25 Nov. 1890, d 22 Aug 1893, bur Hopewell Baptist Cemetery, Franklin Co., MS, stone identifies her as dau of R. L. and Mollie E. Jones. This cemetery is located .5 miles East of Bude toward Monroe, .3 miles south of Hwy 84.

B. ***Lela May Jones***, b Mar 1892, Franklin Co., MS, lived Brookhaven, MS.

C. ***Leroy "Roy" Jones***, b Oct 1894, Franklin Co., MS, lived Greenville, MS.

D. ***Annie Ruth Jones***, b Feb. 1897, Franklin Co., MS, lived East Cherokee St., Brookhaven, MS.

E. ***Pearl Jones***, b 1902, Franklin Co., MS., ***(Bobbie Charles?) Hines***, lived New Orleans, LA.

The above family of John Paul Jones was by his first wife. Issue of ***Mary Catherine Seab Seale*** and ***John Paul Jones***.

4) ***Frances Elizabeth "Lizzie" Jones***, b 8 Jan 1884, Little Springs, MS, d 17 Oct 1918, during a flu epidemic in Memphis, Shelby Co., MS where she is bur, m at Little Springs, MS 24 Feb 1904 (Fr. Co. 3-189 by Rev. J. H. Anding) ***James Bedwell Futch***, b 20 Dec 1881 near Raymond, Hinds Co., MS, son of ***Thomas Jefferson Futch*** and ***Mary Malcolm Bedwell***. He m 2nd at Mt. Olive, MS 9 Dec 1923 ***Lillie Virginia Spell***, b 22 Mar 1896, Braxton, MS, dau of ***Aaron Blackman Spell*** and ***Melvinie Chandler***. No children by the second marriage. They lived in Carlsbad, NM.

A) ***Maxine Elizabeth Futch***, b 7 May 1906, Gloster, MS, m in Atlanta, GA 8 Nov 1928 ***Artry Otis Randall***, a lawyer, b 20 Mar 1895, Franklin Co., MS, d 30 July 1980, Atlanta, GA, son of ***Roland Pinckney Randall*** and ***Eugenia Bishop***. Maxine was raised by Ray Jones in Atlanta after her mother died. She lives at 300 Johnson Ferry Rd NE, Apt 215 Mount Vernon Towers, Atlanta, GA.

a) ***Mary Kay Randall***, b 5 Aug 1930, Atlanta, GA, m in Atlanta, GA 10 June 1950 ***Thomas Henry Rentz, Jr.***, b 2 Nov. 1928, Milledgeville, GA, div., son of ***Thomas Henry Rentz, Sr.*** and ***Jean Oliphant***, live 801 Abingdon Way, Atlanta, GA.

1/ ***Thomas Henry Rentz III***, b 15 May 1951, Atlanta, GA, unmarried in 1991, lives 2804 South 11th Ave, Birmingham, AL. He helped this writer on the Randall and Rentz lines.

2/ ***Elizabeth Anne Rentz***, b 25 June 1952, m ***Bruce Benjamin Coates***, div., live 581 Boulder Crest Dr., Marietta, GA.

A/ ***Katie Coates***, b 28 Dec 1977, Marietta, GA.

3/ ***Laura Rentz***, b 18 July 1954, Atlanta, m ***Rory Hedrick***, live 1660 Cunningham Rd., Marietta, GA.

A/ ***Joshua Lynn Hedrick***, b 20 June 1978, Marietta, GA.

B/ ***Brian Hedrick***, b 6 June 1980, Marietta, GA.

4/ ***Rebecca Rentz***, b 17 Dec 1956, live 20 Wolfcliff Rd NE, White, GA.

b) ***Elizabeth "Betty" Randall***, b 12 Sep 1935, Atlanta, GA, m ***Joseph Telfair Putnal, Jr.***, lives 4042 Chippawa Pl., Atlanta, GA.

1/ ***Joseph Telfair Putnal III***, b 8 June 1957, Atlanta, GA, m 6 June 1983 ***Dorothy Enslow***, dau of ***Philip*** and ***Diane Enslow***.

2/ ***Mathew Alan Putnal***, b 27 Sep 1959, Atlanta, GA, m 1 Aug 1983, ***Rebecca Mosshart***, dau of ***Richard*** and ***Marilyn Mosshart***.

3/ ***Jennifer Elizabeth Putnal***, b 24 Feb 1963, Atlanta, GA, m 8 Mar 1991 ***Bardomiano Guzman***.

c) ***Sally Randall***, b 5 Nov 1942, Atlanta, GA, d 6 Nov 1943.

B) ***Mary Katherine Futch***, b 12 Aug 1908, Little Springs, MS, d 30 July 1930 of tuberculosis. She went to NM with her father. She was not married.

C) ***Thomas Jefferson Futch***, b 24 May 1911, Memphis, TN. He lived with Amnie Bufkin Seale McGehee after his mother died until Amnie died. Then he stayed with James Bentley McGehee until he graduated from high school and then joined his father in NM. In 1929 he married ***Mary Witherspoon*** and had one dau, ***Virginia*** who m ___ ***Struiel***, lived Carlsbad, NM.

5) ***Joseph Augustus Jones***, b 28 Jan 1886, Little Springs, MS, d 3 Mar 1949, Summit, Pike Co., MS where he is buried, m in Franklin Co., MS 3 May 1911 (Fr. Co. 10-151 Ceremony performed by Will M. McGehee) ***Lillie Eugenia McGehee***, b 29 Apr 1892, Little Springs, MS, d 14 Nov 1963, bur Summit, MS, dau of ***John Hiram McGehee*** and ***Mary Alice Catherine Ford,*** who was dau of ***Bartlett Ford*** and ***Rebecca Ann Cain***. Aunt Genia (Eugenia) was the historian of this family.

1910 Fr.Co.,MS Beat 5 p.157 #912 McGehee, John H. 55 md once 39 yrs MS MS MS; Catherine wife 53 md once 37 yrs 17 children 17 living; Laura A. dau 28 single; Luna I. dau 25 single; Thomas F. son 21; Fannie dau 19; Eugenia dau 17; Eddith dau 16.

A) ***Nita Ray Jones***, b 15 Mar 1913, Little Springs, MS, m in Jackson, MS 17 July 1938 ***Alvin Peyton "Pat" Adams, Sr.***, b 18 Nov 1908, Macon, MS, son of ***Lemuel Garner Adams*** and ***Sarah Pagan***. Nita assisted with the history in 1965.

a) ***Alvin Peyton Adams, Jr.***, b 26 May 1942, McComb, Pike Co., MS, m 19 June 1965 ***Judy Jones*** of Magnolia, MS, lived in Summit, MS.

b) ***Larry Elliot Adams***, b 21 Sep 1944, McComb, MS.

c) ***Eugenia Ray Adams***, b 5 June 1946, McComb, MS.

d) ***Anna Carol Adams***, b 11 Mar 1953, McComb, MS.

B) ***Joseph Elliott Jones***, b 20 Aug 1914, Little Springs, MS, d 8 June 1942. Never married. He died a few days before he was to be married.

C) ***Lester Girod Jones***, b 5 Sep 1916, Little Springs, MS, m in New Orleans, LA 4 Feb 1944 ***Virginia Ruth Ross***, b 2 Aug 1919, Boston, MA, dau of ***Roy Mitchell Ross*** and ***Edna Marie Horne***, lived 2608 Mountain Woods Dr, Birmingham, AL 1965.

a) ***Leslie Ann Jones***, b 18 Dec 1944, New Orleans, LA, 18 Sep 1965 ***Hugh Taylor*** of Birmingham, AL.

b) ***Virginia Marie Jones***, b 21 Oct 1946, Baltimore, MD.

c) ***Nancy Elizabeth Jones***, b 4 Apr 1952, Natchez, MS.

6) ***Laura Pearl Jones***, b 25 Aug 1887, Little Springs, MS, d 22 Feb 1965, Centreville, MS, bur Liberty, MS, m at Little Springs, MS 4 Nov 1908 (Fr. Co. 9-550 by J. R. Johnson, M.G.) ***Carey Ethan Young***, who was 1 term state representative and two terms state senator. He was b 8 Jan 1886, Smithdale, MS, d 1 Mar 1951, Liberty, MS, both bur in Liberty Cemetery, Amite Co., MS, son of ***William Edward Young*** and ***Fannie Louise McGehee***. Mr. Young died during his 2nd term as state senator and his widow was appointed to serve the remainder of his unexpired term.

1910 Fr.Co.,MS Beat 5 #232 Young, Cary E. 24 md once 1 yr MS MS MS; Pearl wife 22 md once 1 yr 1 child 1 living; William P. son 8/12 (7 May).

A) ***William Paul Young***, b 7 Aug 1909, Mt. Olive, MS, d 11 Apr 1962, bur Liberty Cemetery, Liberty, MS, m at Liberty 7 Aug 1935 ***Margaret Hamilton Gordon***, b 17 Dec 1914, Liberty, MS, dau of ***Charles Tucker Gordon*** and ***Margaret Lucille Butler***. She m 2nd ***Daniel Webster Tumey*** as his 2nd wife. D. W. Tumey was b 29 Mar 1911, Liberty, MS, son of ***Samuel S. Tumey*** and ***Mary Adalia Strong***, m 1st ***Pansy Sue Crump***, b Aug 1910, Sulligent, AL, d 7 Nov 1959, Baton Rouge, LA. [The children of D. W. Tumey by his first wife: 1. ***Mary Sue Tumey***, b 2 Aug 1938, Centreville, MS, m ***Robert E. Chase***; 2. ***Julia Beth Tumey***, b 13 Dec 1941, Baton Rouge, LA, m

James Breson (div); 3. ***Glenda Bea Tumey***, b 17 Mar 1945, Baton Rouge, m ***Eugene Pourciau***; 4. ***Donna Rae Tumey***, b 19 Feb 1949, Baton Rouge.] No issue of Margaret Hamilton Gordon by D. W. Tumey. Mrs. Tumey of 3829 Ozark, Baton Rouge, LA, supplied data on this family

a) ***Charles Paul Young, Sr.***, b 15 Jan 1939, Centreville, MS, m 29 June 1958 ***Carolyn Faye Hutto***, live 10421 Lebanon, Baton Rouge, LA.

1/ ***Margaret Christine Young***, b 16 Nov 1961.

2/ ***Charles Paul Young, Jr.***, b 25 Dec 1964.

B) ***Christine Elizabeth Young***, b 22 Sep 1911, Little Springs, MS, d 31 Jan 1974, bur Liberty Cemetery, Liberty, MS.

7) ***Frederick Homer Jones***, physician in Piggott, AR, b 16 Feb 1890, Little Springs, MS, d 9 Oct 1957, Piggott, AR, m 1st in Jackson, MS 8 May 1910 ***Caroline Eugenia Allen***, b 15 Dec 1886, Hamburg, MS, d 28 Feb 1937, Memphis, TN, bur Piggott, dau of ***William Luther Allen*** and ***India Compton***, m 2nd 10 Oct 1943 ***Gladys Martha Vancil***, b 24 Sep 1902, Piggott, AR, dau of ***Asco Elijah Vancil*** and ***Elizabeth Langley***. The children are by the first wife.

A) ***Mary Elizabeth Jones***, b 7 Aug 1914, Piggott, AR, d 18 June 1924 of bone cancer.

B) ***John Homer Jones***, M.D. in CA, b 12 Nov 1920 Piggott, AR, m 10 Oct 1942 ***Nancy Culver Tirey*** of Waco, TX.

8) ***Ray Paul Jones***, pharmacist in Atlanta, GA, b 4 Feb 1893, Little Springs, MS, d 16 Oct 1955, Atlanta, GA, m 2 Jan 1915 ***Margaret Lillian Lewis***, b 8 Sep 1889 St. Gaines, GA, dau of ***Norman Jeradine Lewis*** and ***Bertha Pinkney Murphy***. Mrs. Ray Paul Jones of 2226 Boulevard Dr., Atlanta assisted many years ago.

A) ***Paul Jones, Jr.***, b 2 Oct 1915, Atlanta, GA, m 5 May 1938 ***Frances Koon.***

B) ***Joseph Reynolds Jones***, b 2 Apr 1918 Atlanta, GA, d ___, m 11 July 1941 ***Martha Allen***. His widow lives Spring Run Dr., Decatur, GA..

C) ***Margaret Lillian Jones,*** b 12 Aug 1923, Altanta, GA, m 6 Nov 1948 ***George L. Conley.***

D) ***Robert Hunter Jones***, b 30 Aug 1928, Atlanta, GA, d 14 Apr 1949.

E) One other child.

WILLIAM FREDERIC SEAB/ Isadora Adelaide Combs

Chapter 4

William Frederic(k) Seab, b 11 June 1850 near Roxie, MS, the third child of Joseph Seab and Helena Maria or Mary Nienaber, died 15 July 1919, Roxie, MS, m at Percy Creek near Woodville, Wilkinson Co., MS 23 Feb 1875 ***Isadora Adelaide Combs***, b 16 Sep 1858, Percy Creek, MS, d 31 Oct. 1907, Roxie, MS, both bur Roxie Cemetery, dau of ***James Anderson Combs*** and ***Harriett Jane Cummins***.

1880 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.143-69 p25 #396 Seabe, W. F. farmer 30 MS GER GER; I. A. 21 wife MS MS MS; M. L. 4 dau; J. W? f 1 dau.

1900 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.49-13, p34 Beat 1 #196 Seab, William F. farmer June 1850, 50 m 25 yrs MS GER GER; Isadore A. wife Sept 1862 38 md 25 yrs 7 children 7 living MS MS MS; Helena J. dau Aug 1879, 21 MS MS MS; Frederick A. July 1882, 18; Cleaveland H. Aug 1885, 15; Benjamin C. Feb 1889, 16; Iva M. son Aug 1896, 4; William Bryant son Aug 1889 9/12 MS.

1910 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.61-5 p.18 Beat 1, #101 Seab, W. F. 59, wid MS GER GER farmer; Fred A. son 28 single MS MS MS; I. M. son 13; W. B. son 11.

The will of William Frederic Seab is recorded in Franklin Co., MS Vol A-49, dated 6 Dec 1913, proved by W. C. Seab and S. L. Middleton, recorded 31 July 1919.

Their family is as follows:

1) ***Mary Lillian Seab***, b 8 Mar 1876, Roxie, Franklin Co., MS, d 4 May 1951, Jackson, MS, m at Roxie 10 Mar 1897 ***James Ancil Neal***, b 17 Mar 1871, Woodville, Wilkinson Co., MS, d 8 Sep 1935, Roxie, both bur in Roxie Cemetery, son of ***Calvin Saunders Neal*** and ***Rosa Combs***.

2) ***Helena Lee Seab***, b 1 Aug I878, Roxie, MS, d 9 Mar 1951, Amite, Tangipahoe Parish, LA, m at Gloster, Amite Co., MS 26 June 1904 ***Eugene Bert Oglesby, Sr.***, b 4 Sep 1881 near Roxie, d 18 May 1955, Independence, Tangipahoe Parish, LA., both bur Jackson, MS, son of ***Steven Van Oglesby*** and ***Almedia Cloy***.

3) ***Frederic August Seab***, b 22 July 1881, Roxie, MS, d 8 June 1958, m at Whiteapple, Franklin Co. 12 Oct 1910, ***Mary Lee McMillan***, b 23 Mar 1887, Whiteapple, MS, d 18 Aug. 1934, both bur Roxie, dau of ***Howard Winfield McMillan*** and ***Nora Butler***.

4) ***Cleveland Henry Seab***, merchant, b 7 Aug 1886, Roxie, MS, d 9 Oct 1950, Roxie, bur Roxie Cemetery, m in Franklin Co. 13 Aug 1916 ***Elizabeth French***, b 3 Jan 1896, Hamburg, Franklin Co., MS, dau of ***John Duncan French*** and ***Mary Elizabeth Bonds***.

5) ***Benjamin Charles Seab***, b 22 Feb 1889, Roxie, MS, d 16 June 1950, Wilson, E. Feliciana Parish, LA, m at Roxie, MS 11 Feb 1912 ***Ida Cynthelia Middleton***, b 14 Oct 1887, Roxie, MS, d 24 June

1975, both bur Eastern Star Cemetery, Wilson, LA, dau of ***Franklin Elba Middleton*** and ***Elizabeth Aldridge***.

6) ***Ivy Maxwell Seab***, b 15 Aug 1896, Roxie, MS, d 3 Aug 1923, bur Roxie Cemetery. In 1918 he of Shelby, MS was employed by the Y. & M.V.R.R. at Shelby, MS. (WWI draft card.)

7) ***Willie Bryan (Bryant) Seab***, b. 14 Aug 1899, Roxie, MS, d 31 Jan 1960, m at Roxie 17 Dec 1923 ***Clara Kathleen Rowland***, b 11 Sep 1901, Roxie, d 26 Jan 1990, Adams Co., MS, bur Roxie Baptist Church Cemetery, dau of ***James Zebidee Rowland*** and ***Mary Elizabeth Calvitt***.

Descendants of ***William Frederic Seab*** and ***Isadora Adelaide Combs:***

1) ***Mary Lillian Seab***, b 8 Mar 1876 near Roxie, MS, d 4 May 1951, Jackson, MS, m at Roxie, MS 10 Mar 1897 ,Bk 2-288 by R. A. Breland, M.G.) ***James Ancil "Jimmy" Neal***, b 17 Mar 1871, Woodville, Wilkinson Co., MS, d 8 Sep 1935, Roxie, MS, both bur in Roxie Cemetery, son of ***Calvin Saunders Neal*** and ***Rosa Combs***.

> 1910 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.61-3 p16 Beat 1 p.16 #56 Neal, Jas. A. 39 md once 13 yrs LA AL MS, salesman; Lillian wife 34 md once 13 yrs 5 children 4 living MS MS MS; Marvel dau 11 MS LA MS; Eva dau 7; Clara dau 4; son 0/12.

A) ***Marvel Alice Neal***, b 8 Feb 1899, Roxie, MS, d 7 Apr 1987, Jackson, MS, m at Roxie (Fr.Co.Bk12 p84 by O. V. Sullivan M.G.) 2 Mar 1921 ***Marcus "Mark" Alexander Jackson Sullivan***, b 17 Apr 1892, Mize, Smith Co., MS, d 3 Apr 1988, Jackson, Hinds Co., MS, both bur Jackson, MS, son of ***Thomas Franklin "Money Frank" Sullivan*** and ***Mary Margaret Sullivan***. (Her maiden name was Sullivan). Information on this line is from Lyle Walker of Greenwell Springs, LA.

a) ***Walter Neal Sullivan***, b 30 July 1922, Roxie, MS, d 18 Nov 1988, Jackson, MS, m at Silver Creek, Lawrence Co., MS 7 Sep 1941 ***Judyne Stringer***, b 6 Jan 1922, Silver Creek, MS. live Madison, MS.

1/ ***Rachel Joy Sullivan***, b 5 Feb 1943, Columbia, Marion Co., MS.

b) ***Lillian Margaret Sullivan***, b 15 Mar 1924, Bude, MS, m 19 Mar 1944 ***Troy B. Watkins***, live 116 Seargent S. Prentiss Dr., Natchez.

c) ***Bobby Joyce Sullivan***, b 5 Oct 1927, Bude, m at Arlington, VA 13 Apr 1950 ***William Morris Inabnet*** of Slidell, La.

1/ ***John Ashley Inabnet***, b 13 Jun 1951, Monroe, Ouachita Parish, LA, m 25 May 1974 ***Marion Suzanne Bensabat***, b 8 May 1953, New Orleans, LA.

A/ ***Scott Parker Inabnet***, b 2 Feb 1978, Slidell, LA.

B/ ***Ashleye Dunbar Inabnet*** (female), b 2 Sep 1979, Slidell, LA.

C/ ***Courtney Price Inabnet*** (female), b 1 Mar 1982.

2/ ***Mary Vaughan Inabet***, b 8 Nov 1952, Monroe, LA, m 1st ***Rodney McCoy***, m 2nd ***Ted Osborne***.

A/ ***Brooke Vaughan Osborne***, b 17 Mar 1979, Monroe, LA.

3/ ***Robert Morris Inabnet***, b 1 Dec 1954, Monroe, LA, m at Boulder, CO 20 Nov 1980 ***Ruth Jeannett Scheidegger***, b 20 Nov 1956, St. Gallen, Switzerland.

4/ ***William Morris Inabnet, Jr.***, b 24 Feb 1959, Monroe, LA, m at Minden, Webster Parish, LA 16 Apr 1988 ***Sara Ann Moore***, b 29 Jun 1960, Minden, LA.

d) ***Jimmye Ruth Sullivan***, b 25 Apr 1937, Bude, MS, m at Jackson, MS 7 Jun 1956 ***Charles Lyle "Chuck" Walker, Sr.***, b 29 Apr 1934, Natchez, MS, son of ***James Sharpe Walker*** and ***Sally Emily Nettles***, live 306 Belcher St., Centreville, AL.

1/ ***Charles Lyle Walker, Jr.***, CPA, b 29 Mar 1957, Mobile, AL, m at Baton Rouge, LA 10 Jan 1981 ***Christine Anne Watson***, b 19 Nov 1960, Baton Rouge, LA, dau of ***William Oscar Watson*** and ***Shirley Mae Lewis***, live 16911 South Bristle Cone Court, Greenwell Springs, LA. Lyle submitted the data on the Marcus A. J. Sullivan family.

A/ ***Charles Lyle Walker III***, b 10 Dec 1981, Baton Rouge, LA.

B/ ***Melissa Elaine Walker***, b 29 Aug 1985, Baton Rouge, LA.

C/ ***Matthew Mark Walker***, b 6 Mar 1987, Baton Rouge, LA.

D/ ***Christian Alexander Walker***, b 13 Feb 1989, Baton Rouge, LA.

2/ ***Lesa Lynn Walker***, b 26 Sep 1959, Jackson, Hinds, MS, m at Hattiesburg, Forrest Co., MS 20 June 1987 ***James Edward Gibson III***, b 6 Dec 1961, Meridian, Lauderdale, MS.

A/ ***Austin Walker Gibson***, b 31 Mar 1989, Hattiesburg, MS.

B) ***Eva May Neal***, b 27 May 1902, near Roxie, MS, d 19 Oct. 1911.

C) ***Infant son***, b & d 18 Aug 1904, bur Roxie Cemetery beside his parents.

D) ***Clara Isadora Neal***, b 18 Sep 1905, near Roxie, MS, d 21 Nov. 1911.

E) ***Frederic Ancil Neal***, b 13 Apr 1910, Roxie, m at Jackson, MS 13 Sep 1931 ***Sally Grace Mabry***, b 15 May 1910, Canton, Madison Co., MS, dau of ***Eli Clinton Mabry*** and ***Addie McLemore Jones***.

a) ***William Ancil Neal***, b 31 Oct. 1934, Natchez, MS.

F) ***Infant son***, b 5 Jan 1914, d 6 Jan 1914, bur Roxie Cemetery next to parents.

G) ***Rose Evelyn Neal***, b 4 Feb 1915, Roxie, MS, d 18 Sep 1917.

2) ***Helena Lee "Lena" Seab***, b 1 Aug 1878 near Roxie, MS, d 9 Mar 1951, Amite, Tangipahoe Parish, LA, m at Gloster, Amite Co., MS 26 June 1904 ***Eugene Bert Oglesby, Sr.***, b 4 Sep 1881

near Roxie, MS, b 18 May 1955 at Independence, Tangipahoe Parish, LA, both bur Cedarlawn Cemetery, Jackson, MS, son of ***Steven Van Oglesby*** and ***Almedia E. Cloy***.

> 1910 Fr.Co.,MS Beat 1, p16 #53 Oglesby, E. B. 28 ms once 5 yrs MS MS MS insurance agent; Lena L. wife 31 md once 5 yrs 3 children 2 living MS MS MS; F.A. dau 4; W. son 2; Seab, Ben C. brother in law 21 single MS MS MS Insurance agent.

A) ***Florence Aline Oglesby***, b 29 May 1905 near Roxie, MS, m 1st ***Charlton John Nettles, Sr.***, d before 1952, m 2nd 8 Mar 1952 Odie Raymond Boyd, b 25 June 1910, Lavon, TX, son of ***Todd Henry Boyd*** and ***Bertha Lorena Foote***.

a) ***Charlton John Nettles, Jr.***, b 25 June 1928, Jackson, MS, m 5 Mar 1950 ***Audrey Clarke***, lived Baton Rouge, LA.

b) ***Eugene Hill Nettles***, b 4 June 1930, Jackson, MS, m in New Orleans, LA 29 June 1957 ***Mary Nell Anderson***, b 1 Oct 1934, Randolph, Bibb Co., AL, dau of ***James William Alfred Anderson*** and ***Ernestine Payne***, lived 2800 Napoleon, New Orleans, LA.

c) ***Paul Jennings Nettles***, b 28 June 1932, Bennettsville, Marlboro Co., SC, m at El Centre, Imperial Co., CA 15 Aug 1954 ***Carol Lee Shoemaker***, b 8 Nov 1936, Marshall Co., IN, dau of ***Clifford Lee Shoemaker*** and ***Lydia Louise Newcomb***.

1/ ***David Eugene Nettles***, b 11 June 1955, Charleston, SC.

2/ ***Paul Jennings Nettles, Jr.***, b 27 Nov 1956, Terceira Island Azores Lajes Field.

B) ***Eugene Bert Oglesby, Jr.***, b 17 June 1906 near Roxie, d 27 June 1906, bur Roxie Cemetery, Roxie, MS.

C) ***Wilbur Lee Oglesby***, b 2 May 1907 near Roxie, MS, d 1 Nov 1911.

D) ***Vera Kathleen Oglesby***, b 25 May 1911 near Roxie, MS, m at Jackson, MS 25 Dec 1939 ***Jerry Judson Jones, Sr.***, b 28 Aug 1913, Vicksburg, MS, son of ***Steven Augustus Jones*** and ***Annie Bell Burch***, live Magnolia, MS.

a) ***Judith Nell Jones***, b 11 Aug 1944, Magnolia, MS.

b) ***Jerry Judson Jones, Jr.***, b 4 July 1946, Magnolia, MS.

c) ***Steven Lee Jones***, b 6 Feb 1950, Magnolia, MS.

E) ***Eugenie Ruth Oglesby***, b 21 Aug 1914 near Roxie, MS, m at Jackson, MS 12 Mch 1937 ***James McMurtray Barnett, Jr.,*** b 27 Sep 1912, Ofahoma, Leake Co., MS, son of ***James McMurtray Barnett, Sr.*** and ***Alberta Breazeale***, lived New Orleans, LA.

a) ***Carol Jean Barnett***, b 17 Sep 1943, New Orleans, LA.

F) ***Clara Elizabeth Oglesby***, b 27 May 1918, Jackson, MS, m at Clinton, MS 19 Sep 1936 ***Harold Reginald Howell, Sr.***, b 1 Jan 1912, Friendship, TN, son of ***Horace David Howell*** and ***Mollie Rivers Coffman***, lived Alexandria, LA.

a) ***Patsy Louise Howell***, b 9 Aug 1940, Jackson, MS.

b) ***Harold Reginald Howell, Jr.***, b 5 Apr 1945, Jackson, MS.

c) ***David Eugene Howell***, b 19 Sep 1947, Jackson, MS.

3) ***Frederic August Seab***, farmer, b 22 July 1881, Roxie, MS, d 8 June 1958, Roxie, MS, m at Whiteapple, Franklin Co., MS 12 Oct 1910 (Bk 4-104 by W. W. Simmons, M.G., W. H. Graves wit.) ***Mary Lee McMillan***, b 23 Mar 1887, Whiteapple, MS, d 18 Aug 1934, both bur Roxie Cemetery, dau of ***Howard Winfield McMillan*** and ***Nora Butler***.

Their Bible record, copyright date 1924, reads:

Howard W. McMillan, born Feb 7, 1851, died Feb 20 1904.
Nora Boatner McMillan, born Oct 25, 1854, d Sept 11, 1922.
Carroll C. McMillan b Dec 21 1877, d Jan 20, 1926.
Frances E. McMillan, b July 20, 1880.
Edwin L. McMillan, b Nov 20, 1883.
Mary Lee McMillan, b Mar 23, 1887.
Lawrence M. McMillan, b Jan 20, 1890.
Emma W. McMillan, b July 8, 1895.
Otis D. McMillan, b Mar 26, 1899.
Births:
David Glenn Smith, b Sept 1, 1945.
Wayne Edward Smith, b Mar 8, 1947.
Paul Allen Leist, Apr 25, 1947.
Lionel Howard Woodyear, b 27 Oct 1948.
Donald Augusta Leist, b May 13, 1949.
Carolyn Ann Leist, b Oct. 9, 1950.
Thomas Warren Smith, Aug 25, 1952.
Frederic Ambrey Seab, b 21 Oct 1952.

Deaths:
Mary Lee Seab Aug 18, 1934.
Thomas Warren Smith 26 Aug 1952.

F. A. Seab, Roxie, Miss. and M. L. McMillan, Whiteapple, Miss. at Whiteapple 12 October 1910.

Marriages:
Mary Elsie Seab and Merrill N. Woodyear, Jan 31, 1932 by Eugene I. Farr.
Norine Isadora Seab and Marion J. Woodyear, Nov 25, 1934.
Era Lee Seab and Charles M. Smith, April 18, 1942.
Frances Lillian Seab and Vernon P. Leist, Feb 6, 1946.
Frederick Howard Seab and Sue Ellis, Jan. 19, 1947.
Emma Christine Seab and Clydia C. Corban, April 15, 1949.

Births:
Mary Elsie Seab, b July 28, 1911.
Norine Isadora Seab, b Oct. 5, 1913.
Era Lee Seab, b May 26, 1916.

Emma Christine Seab, b July 22, 1919.
Frederic Howard Seab, b July 20, 1922.
Frances Lillian Seab, b Feb. 1, 1925.
Grandchildren:
Mary Ester Woodyear, b Nov. 21, 1938.
Marion Leon Woodyear, b Dec 22, 1941.
William F. Seab, b June 11, 1850
Isadora A. Combs Seab, b Sept 16, 1858
Mary Lillian Seab, b March 8, 1876.
Helena Jane Seab, b Aug 1, 1878.
Frederick August Seab, b July 22, 1881.
Cleveland H. Seab, b Aug. 7, 1886.
Ben C. Seab, b Feb. 22, 1889.
Ivy M. Seab, b Aug 15, 1896.
Willie B. Seab. b Aug 14, 1899.

Deaths:
Isadora A. Seab, d Oct. 31, 1907.
William F. Seab, d July 15, 1919.
Ivy M. Seab, d Aug 3, 1923.
Ben C. Seab, d June 16, 1950.
Cleveland H. Seab, d Oct 9, 1950.
Helena Seab Oglesby, d March 9, 1951.
Lillian Seab Neal, b May 4, 1951.

Censuses:
1900 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.49-19 p40 Beat 1 #327 McMillan, Howard W. Feb 1851, 49 md 22 yrs MS MS LA; Nora B. wife Oct 1854, 45 md 22 yrs 8 children 7 living MS MS MS; Ellen F. dau July 1880, 19, MS MS MS; Adwin L. son Nov 1883, 16; Mary Lee dau Mar 1887, 13; Lawrence M. son Jan 1890, 10; Emma W. dau July 1895, 4; Otis D. son Mar 1899, 1; Clim F. McMillan, boarder Jan 1846, 54 wd MS MS MS; Claud McMillan Feb 1879, 21 MS MS MS.

1910 Fr.Co.MS E.D.61-12 p25 Beat 1 #239 McMillan, Norah f 55 wid 8 children 7 living MS MS MS farmer; Mary Lee dau 23 single; Lawrence son 20; Emma dau 14; Otis son 11; Corry, step son 32 single MS MS MS.

A) ***Mary Elsie Seab***, b 28 July 1911, Roxie, MS, m in Franklin Co., MS (Fr.Co. 13-354) 31 Jan 1932 ***Merrill Neal Woodyear***, merchant of Roxie, MS, b 7 Jan 1906, Franklin Co., MS, d 8 Nov 1967, Natchez, bur Roxie Cemetery, son of ***Joseph Woodyear*** and ***Manie Lucretia Davis***. Sisters Mary Elsie Seab and Norine Isadore Seab married brothers Merrill Neal Woodyear and Marion James Woodyear. Elsie and Merrill had no children. Elsie has lived all her life on the old Frederic August Seab place near Roxie, MS. She has assisted very much on the William Frederic Seab line.

1900 Fr.Co.,MS Beat 1 E.D. 48-20 #385 Woodyear, Joseph Mar 1875, 25 MS; Manie wife Jan 1880, 20, MS; T. J. son Apr 1899, 1; Adams, Arnie boarder May 1894, 6 MS.

1910 Fr.Co.,MS at Knoxville E.D. 60-8 Beat 1 #156 Woodyear, Joseph W. 36 md once 13 yrs MS MS MS; Manie wife 29 md once 13 yrs 6 children 4 living MS MS MS, Clyde son 11 MS MS MS; Merrill son 4; Marion son 2; Alice I. dau 8/12.

B) ***Norine Isadore Seab***, b 5 Oct 1913 near Roxie, MS, m at Roxie 25 Nov 1934 ***Marion James Woodyear***, b 19 May 1907, Knoxville, MS, son of ***Joseph Woodyear*** and ***Manie Lucretia Davis***.

a) ***Mary Ester Woodyear***, b 21 Nov 1938 near Roxie, MS, m Mar 1957 ***Paul Shelley***.

1/ ***Alana Lavelle Shelley***, b 19 Feb 1958.

b) ***Marion Leon Woodyear***, b 22 Dec 1941 near Roxie, MS, owner chain saw service, 151 East Blvd, Roxie, not married 1990.

c) ***Lionel Howard Woodyear***, b 27 Oct 1948 near Roxie.

C) ***Era Lee Seab***, b 25 May 1916, m at Biloxi, MS 18 Apr 1946 ***Charles Marshall "Bud" Smith***, WWII, b 7 Aug 1915, Fayette, MS, d 23 June 1984, Meadville, MS, bur Roxie Cemetery, son of ***Marshall Washington Smith*** and ***Olivia Case***. She has lived her entire life on the Frederic August Seab place.

a) ***David Glenn Smith***, b 1 Sep 1945, Reno, Washington Co., NV, m at Jacksonville, AR 4 Oct 1972 ***Rebecca Ann Harrington***, b 24 Sep 1949, Brandenburg, KY, dau of ***George Hayward Harrington*** and ***Edith Marie Pack***. No children, live 215 Holly Dr., Natchez, MS. He sent data on his family.

b) ***Wayne Edward Smith***, b 8 Mar 1947, Natchez, MS., m at Bude, MS 16 Aug 1966 ***Minnie Lou McCollough***, b 11 Nov 1946, dau of ***Mr. McCollough*** and ***Nancy M. Carpenter***, live Rt. 2 Box 174, Terry, MS.

1/ ***Brian Keith Smith***, b 11 Aug 1967, Natchez, MS.

2/ ***Todd Ryan Smith***, b 22 June 1973, Jackson, MS.

c) ***Thomas Warren Smith***, b 25 Aug 1952, Natchez, MS, d 26 Aug 1952, bur Roxie Cemetery, Roxie, MS.

D) ***Emma Christine Seab***, b 22 July 1919, Roxie, MS, m at Natchez, MS 15 Apr 1949 ***Clydie Cleveland Corban***, b 17 Nov 1915, near Roxie, MS, son of ***Otis Albertis Corban*** and ***Celia Esaphene Middleton***. Emma Christine has lived her entire life on the Frederic August Seab place.

> 1910 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.62-9 p44 Beat 1 #165 Corban, Odis 26 md once 1 yr MS MS MS; Isaphine wife 22 md once 1 yr 1 child 0 living.

a) ***John Cleveland Corban***, b 10 Apr 1953, Natchez, MS, m 14 June 1975 ***Susan Arnold***, b 17 Oct 1958, Franklin Co., MS, div 15 Apr 1987, dau of ***Harry "Buster" Arnold*** and ***Mary Lee Stokes***, div 15 Apr 1987.

1/ ***Heather Renee Corban***, b 9 Sep 1979, Natchez, MS.

E) ***Frederic Howard Seab***, b 20 July 1922 near Roxie, MS, m at Natchez, MS 19 Jan 1947 ***Mamie Sue Ellis***, b 4 Feb 1926, Natchez, dau of ***Ambry Marcellos Ellis*** and ***Marticia Louise Hall***. They live 7230 Gregory St., Moss Point, MS. Frederic is very interested in family history and sent in information of their family.

a) ***Frederic Amby "Ricky" Seab***, b 21 Oct 1952, Natchez, MS, m in Pecan, MS 12 July 1974 ***Debra Ann Brown***, b 24 June 1956, dau of ***Clyde L. Brown*** and ***Annie Marie Jones*** of Pascagoula, MS.

1/ ***Adam Frederic Seab***, b 1 Mar 1979, Pascagoula, MS

2/ ***Katie Marie Seab***, b 11 Nov 1982, Pascagoula, MS.

b) ***Howard Ellis Seab***, b 28 Oct. 1953, Natchez, MS, m at Pascagoula, MS 2 Dec 1972 ***Rosalyn Donnette Logan***, dau of ***Bobby Joe Logan*** and ***Ethelyn Barbara Steele*** of Pascagoula, MS.

1/ ***Amy Maranda "Mande" Seab***, b 19 Dec 1975, Pascagoula, MS.

2/ ***Joshua Wade Seab***, b 6 Nov 1979, Pascagoula, MS.

F) ***Frances Lillian Seab***, b 1 Feb 1924, Roxie, MS, m at Natchez, MS 6 Feb 1946 ***Vernon Paul Leist***, b 10 May 1918, Pleasanton, TX, son of ***Harry John Leist*** and ***Martha Schlagater***, live Rt. 1, Roxie, MS. She and Rodney Leist supplied the information on this family.

a) ***Paul Allen Leist***, b 25 Apr 1947, Douglas, AZ, m at Meadville, MS 14 June 1968 ***Edith Nell Emfinger***, b 7 Dec 1946, dau of ***Phoby Emfinger*** and ***Annie Mae Strittman***, live Lakeview Dr., Brandon, MS.

1/ ***Kevin Allen Leist***, b 28 July 1971, Beaumont, TX.

2/ ***Amanda Nell Leist***, b 5 May 1976, Beaumont, TX.

b) ***Donald Augustus Leist***, b 13 May 1949, Carlsbad, NM, m at Natchez, MS 5 June 1976 ***Linda Lou Barrow***, b 4 Oct 1948, dau of ***Curtis Barrow*** and ***Kathryn Blackwell***, live 202 Power, Natchez, MS.

1/ ***Tracey Lynn Leist***, b 4 Oct 1981, Natchez, MS.

c) ***Carolyn Ann Leist***, b 10 Oct 1950, Carlsbad, NM, m at Roxie, MS 23 June 1972 ***Hugh Preston Freeman***, b 20 July 1944, d 27 Jan 1975, Natchez, MS, bur Roxie, MS, son of ***E. L.*** and ***Violet Freeman***. She lives Rt. 1, Box 281, Roxie, MS.

1/ ***Scottie Wade Freeman***, b 14 June 1973, Natchez, MS, d 14 June 1973.

2/ ***David Paul Freeman***, b 10 Oct 1974, Natchez, MS.

d) ***Rodney Lee Leist***, Professor of Computer Science, Hinds Community College, b 9 May 1957, Meadville, Franklin Co., MS, m at Edwards, MS 12 Feb 1978 ***Patsy Rebecca White***, b 10 Feb 1956, Vicksburg, Warren Co., MS, dau of ***Waverly Handcock White*** and ***Sallie Mae Butts***, live 3999 Farr Road, Edwards, MS. Rodney is an active genealogist and provided information on his line.

1/ ***Julie Nicole Leist***, b 4 June 1984, Austin, Travis Co., TX.

2/ ***Jason White Leist***, b 15 Apr 1988, Austin, TX.

3/ ***Katherine Lee Leist***, b 19 Mar 1990, Jackson, Hinds Co., MS.

4) ***Cleveland Henry Seab***, merchant of Roxie, MS, b 7 Aug 1886, Roxie, MS, d 9 Oct 1950, Roxie, bur Roxie Cemetery, m in Franklin Co., MS (Bk 11-116 by S. P. Dubois), 13 Aug 1916 ***Elizabeth French***, b 3 Jan 1896, Hamburg, Franklin Co., MS, dau of ***John Duncan French*** and ***Mary Elizabeth Bonds***.

> 1910 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.63-9 p.54 #165 French, John D. 54 md once 25 yrs MS MS MS; Mary wife 43 md once 25 yrs 8 children 8 living AL US AL; Harrison O. son 24 MS MS AL; Cammie O. son 23; Morrice A. son 20; John L. son 18; Leslie son 15; Lizzie dau 13; Clide son 11; Alvie son 9.

A) ***Evelyn Ruth Seab***, b 15 Sep 1920, Roxie, MS, d 19 July 1984, m 23 Mar 1940 ***Allen Hansford Hammack***, b 22 June 1917, Gloster, Amite Co., MS, d 16 Mar 1964, both bur Roxie Cemetery, Roxie, MS, son of ***Henry V. Hammack*** and ***Elizabeth Anders***.

a) ***Wanda Elizabeth Hammack***, b 14 Sep 1944, Natchez, MS, ***Mr. Gandy***.

b) ***Richard Allen Hammack***, b 11 Mar 1946, Natchez, MS, d 13 Sep 1979, bur Serapta Cemetery, Franklin Co., MS, m ***Ruby Carolyn*** ___, b 14 Sep 1948.

c) ***Terry Seab Hammack***, b 30 May 1950, Natchez, MS, m at Bude, MS 21 Aug 1970 ***Betty Jean Temple***, b 15 Jan 1951, Natchez, MS.

1/ ***Herman Allen Hammack***, b 23 Oct 1982, Jackson, Hinds Co., MS.

2/ ***Casey Barnett Hammack***, b 13 Aug 1988, Jackson, MS.

B) ***Charles Henry Seab***, b 10 July 1924, Roxie, MS, d 22 Mar 1951, Natchez, bur Roxie Cemetery, m at Moselle, Jones Co., MS 23 May 1943 ***Mary Jo Walters***, b 25 May 1923, Williamsburg, Covington, MS, dau of ***Warren Joseph Walters*** and ***Laura Mae Mederis***. She m 2nd at Petal, MS 1 Aug 1953 ***Neal Key McLelland***, b 26 Sep 1925, DeKalb, MS, son of ***Ernest McLelland*** and ***Mary Elizabeth Key***. She lives Douglasville, GA.

a) ***Charles Ronald Seab***, b 30 Oct 1949, Natchez, MS, moved to TX.

5) ***Benjamin Charles Seab***, merchant, b 22 Feb 1889, Roxie, d 16 June 1950, Wilson, E. Feliciana Parish, LA, m at Roxie 11 Feb 1912 (4-211 by T. E. Simmons, M.G.) ***Ida Cynthelia Middleton***, b 14 Oct 1887, Roxie, d 24 June 1975, both bur Eastern Star Cemetery, Wilson, LA., dau of ***Francis Elba Middleton*** and ***Elizabeth Aldridge***. Benjamin of Wilson, LA had the family Bible.

> 1900 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.49-21 p42 Beat 1 #356 Middleton, Francis E. June 1854, 45 md 25 yrs MS MS MS; Elizabeth E. wife May 1860, 40 md 25 yrs 8 children 8 living MS MS MS; Joseph son May 1876, 24 md 9/12 yrs MS MS MS; Minnie stepdau Feb 1883, 17, md 9/12 yrs 0 children MS MS MS; Carl son Apr 1878, 22; James son June 1880, 20; John son Mar 1884, 14; Dennie dau Mar 1885, 15; Ida dau Oct 1886, 13; Virgia dau Feb 1889, 11.
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> 1910 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.61-10 Beat 1, p.23 #190 Middleton, Frank E. 57 md once 35 yrs MS MS MS; Elizabeth wife 52 md once 35 yrs 8 children 6 living MS MS MS; John E. son 23; Ida dau 21; Virgie dau 20; Nessie dau in law 27 wid 4 children 3 living; Tinie grdau 6; Frank grson 3; Walter grson 1.

A) ***Carrie Marie Seab***, b 23 Jan 1913, Roxie, MS, m in East Feliciana Parish, LA 11 June 1939 ***Wickliffe Andrew Cook***, b 12 Dec 1912, Olive Branch, East Feliciana Parish, LA, d 1966, son of ***Allen Abiah Cook*** and ***Zula Bell Pigott***. No children. Carrie lives in Wilson, LA (P.O. Box 1761).

7) ***Willie Bryan (Bryant) Seab***, b 14 Aug 1899, Roxie, MS, d 31 Jan 1960, Holden, LA, m at Roxie 17 Dec 1923 (Bk 2-281 by W. A. Green M.G.) ***Clara Kathleen Rowland***, b 11 Oct 1901, Roxie, MS, d 26 Jan 1990, Adams Co., MS, both bur Roxie Baptist Church Cemetery, dau of ***James Zebidee Rowland*** and ***Mary Elizabeth "Mollie" Calvitt***. 1918 he was station clerk of Y&NVRR at Wilson, E. Feliciana Par., LA. She operated a general store in Roxie.

A) ***Willie Mae Seab***, b 10 Mar 1925, Holden, Livingston Parish, LA, m ***Lemuel Anderson Dunn***, b 22 Jan 1924, Natchez, MS, div. 13 Mar 1973. The children are by a first marriage of Mr. Dunn to ***Nellie Ruth Jackson*** and were adopted. Willie Mae lives 125 Hensley Rd., Natchez, MS.

a) ***Leecie Jane Dunn***, b 30 Nov 1956, Natchez, MS, not married 1990.

b) ***Harvey Earl Dunn***, b 20 June 1959, Natchez, MS, m 31 Dec 1988 ***Sherri Shieres***.

B) ***Jimmye Ann Seab***, b 30 May 1929, Holden, LA, m at Junction City, KS 3 Nov 1951 ***Cecil Robert Crews***, b 25 Dec 1927, Perry Co., AL, son of ***Cornelius Ervin Crews*** and ***Annie V. Roberts***, live Centreville, AL. (Box 171).

a) ***Stephen Cecil Crews***, b 6 Feb 1954, Selma, Dallas Co., AL.

b) ***Bryant Crews***.

c) ***Susie Crews***.

LOUISA VIRGINIA SEAB/
John Lyon Combs, Sr.

Chapter 5

Louisa Virginia Seab, 4th Child of Joseph Seab and Helena Marie or Mary Nienaber was born 12 Sep 1852 near Roxie, MS, d 1 Sep 1932 near Roxie, m at the home of M. Seab near Roxie on 12 Nov. 1874 (Bk 6-73 by William Finn, M.G., William F. Seab wit.) ***John Lyon Combs, Sr.***, CSA Co. E 10 LA Regt, b 29 July 1846, Woodville, Wilkinson Co., MS, d 2 Dec 1927, Roxie, both bur Roxie Cemetery, Roxie, MS, son of ***James Anderson Combs*** and ***Harriet Jane Cummins***. He was brother of Isadora Adelaide Combs who married William Frederic Seab. Jerald Douglas Stratten possesses their original marriage license and Bible record.

1880 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.163-49 p25 #404 Combs, J. L. 33 farmer MS MS MS; L. V. 28 wife MS GER GER; Joseph 5 son MS MS MS, Mary 3 dau; Willie m 8/12 son; C. F. 29 brother MS MS MS.

1900 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.49-21 Beat 1 #352 Combs, John L. July 1846, 53 md 26 yrs MS MS MS; Louisa B. wife Sep 1842, 47, md 26 yrs 5 children 5 living MS MS MS; Joseph A. son Sep 1875, 24 single MS MS MS; Mollie E. dau May 1877, 23; William H. son Oct 1878, 20; John L. Jr. son Dec 1883, 16; Ellen T. dau Feb 1889, 11.

1910 Fr.Co.,MS, Beat 1, E.D.61-6, p.20 #120 Combs, John L. 64 md once 35 yrs MS MS GA; Lou V. wife 58 md once 35 yrs 5 children 3 living MS GER GER; Mollie dau 32 1 child 1 living MS MS MS; Johnnie L. son 25 single; Ellen dau 21 single; Davis, Ralph grson 7 MS TN MS.

The Bible record of John Combs, copyright 1892, reads:

Births

John Lyon Combs, July 29, 1846
Louisa V. Combs, Sept 12, 1852
Joe A. Combs Sept 10, 1875
Mary Elizabeth Combs May 18, 1877
Willie Herbert Combs, Oct 23, 1879
John Lyon Combs, Dec 18, 1883
Ellen Pearl Combs, Feb 27, 1889
Ralph L. Davis, Nov 3, 1902
John Lyon Combs, 1873
Mollie E. Combs 1900
Joe A. Combs, April 1901
Herbert Combs

Deaths

John L. Combs, d Dec 2, 1927
L. V. Combs Sep 1, 1932
Mollie E. Combs Oct 6, 1951
W. H. Combs, Mar 28, 1954

1) ***Joseph Anderson Combs***, b 10 Sep 1875, Roxie, Franklin Co., MS, d 1963, m at Natchez 26 Apr 1901 ***Rosie Dallis Whitehead***, b 28 July 1878, Roxie, dau of ***Willie Penn Whitehead*** and ***Isadora Jane Hunt***.

2) ***Mary "Mollie" Elizabeth Combs***, b 18 May 1877, Roxie, MS, d 6 Oct. 1951 Natchez, MS, bur Roxie Cemetery, m 18 Sep 1900 ***George Thomas Davis***, b 4 Sep 1848, Murfreesboro, Rutherford Co., TN, d 4 June 1919, Mobile, AL. He m 1st in Longtown, MS ***Annie May Jennings***, dau of ***Robert James Jennings*** and ***Mary Elizabeth Dison*** or Dyson.

3) ***William Herbert Combs***, b 23 Oct 1879, Roxie, MS. d 28 Mar 1954, Roxie, MS, bur Roxie Cemetery, m at Roxie 14 Nov 1906 ***Annie Lucille Whitehead***, b 10 Mar 1887 near Knoxville, Franklin Co., MS, dau of ***Willie Penn Whitehead*** and ***Isadora Jane Hunt***, sister of Iverson Hunt.

4) ***John Lyon Combs, Jr.***, b 18 Dec 1883, Roxie, MS, d 25 Oct 1964, bur Roxie Cemetery. Nothing further is known of him.

5) ***Ellen Pearl Combs***, b 27 Feb 1889, Roxie, MS, d 5 Jan 1957, Coushatta, Red River Parish, LA, m at Roxie, MS 27 June 1912 ***Henry Edwin Stratton***, b 22 June 1886, Whiteapple, son of ***Edward Parker Stratton*** and ***Adiliza Virginia Aldridge***.

Descendants ***Louisa Virginia Seab*** and ***John Lyon Combs, Sr.***:

I) ***Joseph Anderson Combs, Jr.***, b 10 Sep 1875, Roxie, MS, d 1963, m at Natchez 26 Apr 1901 ***Rosie Dallis Whitehead***, b 28 July 1878, Roxie, d 1963, both bur Roxie Cemetery, dau of ***Willie Penn Whitehead*** and ***Isadora Jane Hunt***.

> 1910 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.61-6 p19, Beat 1, #124 Combs, Joseph A. 33 md once 9 yrs MS MS MS; Rosa wife 31 md once 9 yrs 3 children 3 living MS MS MS; Eva dau 7; Irma dau 7; Joseph A. Jr. son 9/12.

A) ***Eva Rosalle Combs***, twin, b 1 Dec 1902, Roxie, MS, m ***Clyde V. Woodyear***, b 28 Aug 1898, d 26 Sep 1950, bur Roxie Cemetery, son of ***Joseph W.*** and ***Masie Woodyear***, live 1014 Washington St., Natchez.

a) ***Peggy Clyde Woodyear***, b 19 Mar 1929, d 17 Oct 1930, bur Roxie Cemetery.

B) ***Erma Louis Combs***, twin, b 1 Dec 1902, Roxie, MS, m (Fr.Co.6-252, by W. O. Green M.G.) 8 July 1923 ***Edward Gelette (Jelette) Woodyear***, b 28 Jan 1894, d 11 Dec 1944, son of ***Edward G.*** and ***M. E. Woodyear***.

C) ***Joseph Anderson Combs, Jr.***, b 28 June 1909, Roxie, MS, d 2 Jan 1981, bur Roxie Cemetery, m in Franklin Co. 22 Aug 1937 ***Bertha Eugenia Aldridge***, b 21 May 1920, Lorman, Jefferson Co., MS, dau of ***Charles Quency Aldridge*** and ***Florence Hazel Adams***.

a) ***Joseph Anderson Combs III***, b 8 Dec 1938, Roxie, MS.

b) ***Gerald Manning Combs***, b 25 Oct. 1942, Fayette, Jefferson Co., MS. A stone in Roxie Cemetery is for Gerald M. Combs, Jr. 12 July 1965/13 July 1965.

c) ***David Lavon Combs***, b 18 Jan 1947, Natchez, MS.

d) ***Paul Wayne Combs***, b 5 Jan 1950, Natchez, MS.

2) ***Mary "Mollie" Elizabeth Combs***, b 18 May 1877, Roxie, MS, d 6 Oct 1951, Natchez, MS, bur Roxie Cemetery, Roxie, MS, m 18 Sep 1900 (Franklin Co. 2-504 by J. T. Abney, P.C., Roxie) ***George Thomas Davis***, b 4 Sep 1848, Murfreesboro, Rutherford, TN, d 4 June 1919, Mobile, AL. It is said Mary Elizabeth Combs separated from George Thomas Davis when Ralph was a baby. He m 1st in Longtown, MS ***Annie May Jennings***, dau of ***Robert James Jennings*** and ***Mary Elizabeth Dison*** or Dyson. The first 4 children are by the 1st wife. Her tomb in Roxie Cemetery reads Mary E. Combs. See 1910 census above for John L. Combs.

A) ***James Cleveland Davis***.

B) ***Annie May Davis***.

C) ***Linnie Jane Davis***, b 8 Aug 1888, Panola, MS, m 5 Aug 1906 ***James C. Sanford***, lived in Baton Rouge, LA.

D) ***Bennie James Davis***, b 25 Sep 1892, Panola, MS, m ***Grace Mabry***, lived Batson, TX.

E) ***Ralph Lyon Davis***, b 3 Nov 1902, Roxie, MS, m in Minden, LA 15 Nov 1924 ***Lois Ivy***, b 7 Sep 1904, Saline, LA, dau of ***Jim Madison Ivy*** and ***Myrtis Emma Michael***.

a) ***James Lyon Davis***, b 30 Aug 1925, Minden, Webster Parish, LA, m 18 July 1946 ***Willie B. Grafton***.

b) ***Ralph Lyon Davis, Jr.***, b 31 July 1927, Minden, LA, m 3 Dec 1950 ***Frances Lee***.

c) ***Patsy Elizabeth Davis***, b 16 Oct 1937, Minden, LA.

3) ***William Herbert Combs***, b 23 Oct 1879, Roxie, MS, d 28 Mar 1954, Roxie, MS, bur Roxie Cemetery, m at Roxie 14 Nov. 1906 (Fr.Co.3-383, he 21 she 18, by W. H. Graves J.P.) ***Annie Lucille Whitehead***, b 10 Mar 1887 near Knoxville, Franklin Co., MS, dau of ***Willie Penn Whitehead*** and ***Isadora Jane Hunt***, sister of Iverson Hunt.

A) ***Annie Louise Combs***, 27 Oct 1907, Roxie, MS, m at Roxie, MS 24 Jan 1926 (Fr.Co.6-437 by D. C. Wilkinson M.B.S.) ***William Earl Boyte***, b 5 Apr 1906 near Warren, AR, son of ***Robert Levi Boyte*** and ***Cornelia Moore***, live Rt. 1, Roxie, MS.

a) ***Herbert Lee Boyte***, b 10 July 1927, Roxie, MS.

b) ***Kenneth Earl Boyte***, b 25 Jan 1930, Roxie, MS, m 1st 13 Jan 1949 ***Mary Eloise Ford***, b 6 Jan 1933, Meadville, MS, dau of ***Rufus M. Ford*** and ***Ethel Smylie***. He m 2nd at Coushatta , LA 4 July 1954 ***Mary Glenn Brown***, b 24 Feb 1931, Coushatta, LA, dau of ***Charles Joseph Brown, Sr.*** and ***Celestine (Brown?)***. She had been m 1st to ***Charles Virgil Pardue***, had one child who died at birth. The children were by the first wife.

1/ ***Linda Ann Boyte***, b 12 Oct 1948, Natchez, MS.

2/ ***James Kenneth Boyte***, b 4 Mar 1951, Natchez, MS.

3/ ***Richard Levon Boyte***, b 16 Jan 1953, Natchez, MS.

c) ***Arthur Leon Boyte***, b 14 Feb 1938, Roxie, MS.

B) ***William Arthur Combs***, b 18 Feb 1922, Roxie, MS, m 2 Mar 1948 ***Lida Joyce Von Mueller***, lived in San Diego, CA.

5) ***Ellen Pearl Combs***, b 27 Feb 1889, Roxie, MS, d 5 Jan 1957, Coushatta, Red River Parish, LA, bur Minden, LA, m at Roxie 27 June 1912 (by W. H. Young, M.G. Bk 4-235) ***Henry Edwin Stratton***, b 22 June 1886, Whiteapple, MS, d 8 Nov 1959, son of ***Edward Parker Stratton*** and ***Adiliza Virginia Aldridge***, lived Minden, LA.

A) ***John Edward Stratton***, b 13 Sep 1913, Minden, Webster Parish, LA, d of cancer 1 Jan 1983 Coushatta, LA, bur Coushatta, m 17 June 1939 ***Laura Jane McCain***, b 14 Apr 1919, Ashland, Natchitoches Parish, LA, dau of ***Robert Lee McCain*** and ***Linnie Mae Row***. Laura m 2nd ___ ***McWilliams***, live Rt. 1 Box 23B, Coushatta, LA.

a) ***Charles Edward Stratton***, b 30 May 1941, Natchitoches, LA, m 1st ***Claudette N. Carroll***, had the 1st 2 children listed below, m 2nd ***Joyce Jo Pyle***, m 3rd ***Dianne Bamburg***, had 2 children.

1/ ***Marilyn Ann Stratton***, b 3 Jan 1958.

2/ ***Joyce Ann Stratton***, b 24 Oct 1961, m 1st at Coushatta, LA 28 Nov 1980 ***Steven Christopher Allen***, m 2nd ***Louis Pullig***.

A/ ***Lauren Ashley Pullig***, b 30 Oct 1985.

3/ ***Robert Edward Stratten***, b Mar 1969.

4/ ***Charles Edward Stratton***, b 30 Aug 1974.

b) ***Gary Len Stratton***, b 2 Oct 1944, Natchitoches, LA, m 1st at Belle Chase, LA 15 Feb 1961 ***Betty Ann Charleville***, m 2nd at Shreveport, LA 3 Mar 1987 ***Nina Aldredge***, widow of___ ***Alderson***, whose children are ***Sonya Alderson*** and ***Steven Alderson***. Gary's children are by the 1st wife.

1/ ***Jennifer Len Stratton***, b 3 Nov 1970, Belle Chase, LA.

2/ ***Gary Len Stratton***, b 19 Oct 1971, Belle Chase, LA.

c) ***Janet Ellen Stratton***, b 18 Feb 1951, Natchitoches, m 26 June 1961 ***Robert "Bobby" Frank Brian***.

1/ ***Mark Allen Brian***, b 9 Nov 1973.

2/ ***Kelli McCain Brian***, b 20 Sep 1978.

B) ***Charles Henry Stratton***, b 25 Jan 1915, Minden, LA, d 9 June 1918, bur in family grave plot below Whiteapple, MS.

C) ***Jerald Douglas Stratton***, b 12 Aug 1920, Minden, LA, m in Coushatta, LA 30 Sep 1949 ***Vivian Lorraine Wise***, b 13 Sep 1920, Gillett, AR, dau of ***Ernest Lee Wise*** and ***Eura Chadwick***, lives Minden, LA (P.O.Box 1116). He has sent in most of the family data on this line.

a) ***Jerald Wise Stratton***, b 25 Feb 1952, Minden, LA, m at Minden 13 Apr 1979 ***Lauren Bennett***, dau of ***Charles R. Bennett***, lives 226 Chimney Hill, Haughton, LA.

1/ ***Somer Eura Stratton***, b 14 Sep 1981, Shreveport, LA.

HELENA MARIE SEAB/
William Henry Graves

Chapter 6

Helena Marie Seab was the fifth child of Joseph Seab and Helena Maria or Mary Nienaber. She was born 12 Jan. 1857 near Roxie, MS, died 13 Oct 1923, Roxie, MS, married near Roxie 17 Feb 1881, (Fr.Co.6-358 by F. H. Darsey JP, I.D. Hunt witness) ***William Henry Graves, Sr.***, b 1858, Franklin Co., MS, died 5 Sep 1924 Roxie, MS, both bur Union Baptist Church Cemetery 1 mile north of Whiteapple, son of ***John Quitman Graves, Sr.*** and ***Sicily Mississippi Darsey***. He is the brother of John Quitman Graves, Jr. who married Helena Marie Seab's sister Alice Roena Seab. Roxie was named for their sister Roxie Mississippi Graves who died at age 23 years in 1883.

1880 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.143-44 p22 #362 John Q. Graves, 41 farmer MS SC MS; Sicilay 38, wife, MS MS MS; Henry son 22 MS MS MS; Roxie dau 20; John son 17; Monroe Shurtliff 19 MS MS MS; S. C. Graves 45, sister MS MS MS.

1900 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.49-18 p39 Beat 1 #309 Graves, William H. Apr 1858, 42 md 19 yrs MS MS MS; Helen M. wife Jan 1837, 43 md 19 yrs MS GER GER; Willie L. son Dec 1881, 18; John S. son Jan 1884, 17; William H. son Oct 1885, 14; Benjamin F. son Mar 1890, 10; Mirtle E. dau July 1894, 5; Helena M. dau Jan 1899, 1 MS MS MS.

1910 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.61-6 Beat 1 p.18 #120 Graves, W. H. 51 md once 29 yrs MS MS MS; Helena M. wife 53 md once 29 yrs 8 children 6 living MS GER GER; Myrtle dau 15 MS MS MS, Helena M. dau 11; Tommie Graves boarder 15 MS MS MS.

The family of ***Helena Marie Seab*** and ***William Henry Graves*** is as follows:

1) ***Willie Lamar Graves***, b 31 Dec 1881, Franklin Co., MS, d 3 Feb 1848, Baton Rouge, LA, m San Antonio, TX 6 July 1910 ***Jeffie Coventry Roark***, b 13 Nov 1886, Amite Co., MS, dau of ***Eldridge Waldo Roark*** and ***Nancy Jane Coventry***.

2) ***John Seab Graves***, b 27 Jan 1883, Franklin Co., MS, d 4 Feb 1983, age 100, Baton Rouge, LA, bur El Paso, TX, m in Memphis, TN 10 Sep 1910, ***Vera Elizabeth Latimer***, b 22 Jan 1881, Beebe, AR, d 28 Nov 1947, El Paso, TX, dau of ***Albert Garlington Latimer*** and ***Alice Almeda Apple***. No children. He is the author of a Graves biography and history.

3) ***William Henry Graves, Jr.***, b 17 Oct 1885, Franklin Co., MS, d 2 Sep 1955, m 1st at Roxie, MS 26 May 1915, ***Myrtis Ellington***, b 12 Oct 1888, Sallis, Atalla Co., MS, d 12 Nov 1918, Memphis, TN, m 2nd in Franklin Co., MS 7 June 1921, ***Ruth Cook Ellington***, b 2 Oct 1892, Sallis, MS, both daughters of ***Dewey J. Ellington*** and ***Phobe Cook***.

4) ***Leslie Graves***, b 8 Mar 1888, Franklin Co., MS, d 31 Aug 1895, bur Old Union Baptist Church Cemetery, 1 mile North of Whiteapple, MS.

5) ***Benjamin Franklin Graves***, b 18 Mar 1890, Franklin Co., MS, d 31 Oct 1971, m in Ruleville, MS, 27 Oct 1912, ***Mary Savoy Hullum***; b 13 Mar 1891, Red Bone Plantation, Warren Co., MS, d 27

Oct 1951, Greenwood, Leflore Co., MS, both buried Odd Fellows Cemetery, Greenwood, MS, dau of ***Green Mattingly Hullum*** and ***Mary Elizabeth Hankison***.

6) ***Sicily Helena Graves***, b 18 Aug 1892, Franklin Co., MS, d 25 Sep 1895, Franklin Co., MS, bur Old Union Baptist Church Cemetery, Franklin Co., MS.

7) ***Myrtie Elizabeth Graves***, b 29 July 1894, Franklin Co., MS, d 12 Mar 1985, Chattanooga, TN, bur Natchez, MS, m at Roxie, MS 27 Dec 1915, ***Hamilton Burton Nelson, Sr.***, b 7 Oct 1889 between Liberty and Gloster, MS, d 8 Nov 1969 at home near Natchez, MS, son of ***Ben Drake Nelson*** and ***Dorah Lovenia Jenkins***.

8) ***Helena Margaret Graves***, b 11 Jan 1899, Franklin Co., MS, d 5 Feb 1922, bur Old Union Baptist Church Cemetery, Franklin Co., MS. She was a piano teacher.

Descendants of ***Helena Marie Seab*** and ***William Henry Graves*** are as follows:

1) ***Willie Lamar Graves***, b 31 Dec 1881, Franklin Co., MS, d 3 Feb 1948 at Baton Rouge, LA, m at San Antonio, TX 6 July 1910 ***Jeffie Coventry Roark***, b 13 Nov 1886, Amite Co, MS, dau of ***Eldridge Waldo Roark*** and ***Nancy Jane Coventry***.

A) ***Willie Lamar Graves, Jr.***, b 14 Apr 1911, Roxie, MS, d 8 Feb 1985. He was married and divorced. No children.

B) ***Frank Roark Graves***, b 10 Aug. 1912, Rosetta, Wilkinson Co., MS, d 29 Oct 1979, m at Baton Rouge, LA 24 Dec 1941, ***Audry Lee Knight***, b 29 Dec 1924, Bogulusa, LA, dau of ***Willis J. Knight (or William Oscar Knight?)*** and ***Essie Mae Breland***. Audry Lee lives 12900 Alysha Dr., Denham Springs, LA.

a) ***Donald Frank Graves***, b 4 July 1943, Baton Rouge, LA, lives 12898 Alysia Dr., Denham Springs, LA.

b) ***Linda Lee Graves***, b 24 Dec 1948, Baton Rouge, LA.

C) ***Elton Henry "Toby" Graves***, b 20 Aug 1914, McNair, Jefferson Co., MS, m 1st at Baton Rouge, LA 15 May 1940, ***Nora Alice Norris***, divorced 1942, no children, m 2nd at Baton Rouge, LA, 31 Oct 1949, ***Elizabeth Faye McAdams*** of Baker, LA, b 2 Apr 1924, Baton Rouge, dau of ***Thomas Singletary McAdams*** and ***Beatrice "Daisy" Chaney***. Elizabeth Faye was divorced from ***Durwood Lamar Roundtree***, 1949, no children. Mrs. Graves lives 10239 Jefferson Hwy, Baton Rouge, LA. She assisted in the compilation of the Graves family.

a) ***Estelle Lee Graves***, b 9 Oct 1950, Baton Rouge, LA, m 30 May 1970 ***Joseph E. Dunn, Jr.*** of Greensburg, LA, b 8 Dec 1950, live Box 79596 Hwy 41, Bush, LA. He is the minister at Hebron Baptist Church.

1/ ***Joseph Walter Dunn***, b 20 Apr 1971, New Jersey.

2/ ***Amy Elizabeth Dunn***, b 12 Sep 1974, Baton Rouge, LA.

b) ***Elizabeth Kathleen Graves***, b 20 Apr 1960, Baton Rouge, LA, m 11 Aug 1984, ***Stanley T. Hawkins***, b 19 Apr 1955, divorced 15 May 1988.

1/ ***Daniel Elton Hawkins***, b 30 May 1988, Baton Rouge, LA.

D) ***Daughter Graves***, b and d 25 May 1917, McNair, Jefferson Co., MS, bur Union Church Cemetery, Franklin Co., MS.

E) ***David Waldo Graves***, b 30 Sep 1923, Natchez, MS, d 3 Nov 1985, unmarried.

F) ***Lois Coventry Graves***, b 1 Nov 1926, Natchez, MS, m at Baton Rouge, LA I Nov 1948, ***Theodore Benton Clement***, b 18 Apr 1919 Denham Springs, LA, d 29 Dec 1980, son of ***Oda Ferguse Clement*** and ***Rose Lively***, m 2nd 19 Sep 1987, ***Nathan Wade Paxton***, b 16 Feb 1932, New Orleans, LA, son of ***Camma Lovett Paxton*** and ***Bonner Wade***. No children by either marriage. They live 10235 Jefferson Hwy, Baton Rouge, LA. Lois assisted with the Graves history.

2) ***John Seab Graves***, b 27 Jan 1883, Franklin Co., MS, d 4 Feb 1983, age 100, Baton Rouge, LA, bur El Paso, TX, m in Memphis, TN 10 Sep 1910, ***Vera Elizabeth Latimer***, b 22 Jan 1881, Beebe, AR, d 28 Nov 1947, El Paso, TX, dau of ***Albert Garlington Latimer*** and ***Alice Almeda Apple***. No children. He is the author of a Graves history. See at the end of this chapter.

Newsarticle from STATE TIMES, Baton Rouge, LA, Jan. 12, 1983 p.13-A: ***100-year-old still at typewriter*** by Pat Tessier, State-Times Editor. John S. Graves, retired railroad telegrapher who is celebrating his 100th birthday today, still types letters to pen pals throughout the United States. Last week he typed a history of his life complete with his secrets of longevity to distribute to some 100 friends and relatives who call on him at the Jefferson Highway home of his nephew and niece, Elton and Betty Graves, this afternoon. Before the turn of the century John Graves decided that life on a Mississippi farm wasn't for him. He ordered a course of instruction in telegraphy to prepare himself for a career as a telegrapher.

Graves, who marked this 100th birthday Thursday, still practices that skill. Last week he typed a three-page story of his life to share secrets of his longevity with friends who will call at the home of his nephew and niece Elton and Betty Graves on Jefferson Highway, this afternoon to mark his birthday.

Graves has pen pals throughout the United Sates. He types six or seven letters a week to these friends to keep "his mind burning" and "his typing skills sharp". He says he wouldn't have pen pals if he couldn't type.

"Never a day passes that he doesn't get a lot of mail", Mrs. Graves said, "He answers right away", she added, commenting on his still nimble fingers. The letters she has seen have been "very interesting, newsy letters." He discusses everything from politics and his health to everyday happenings.

"Unless we have good luck going along with us, old age is unattainable," Graves believes. He reflects on some of his own life-threatening experiences - he was hit by a car while walking in the '60s and had a serious cancer operation when he was 92 - and feels he was "lucky to survive all of them."

Graves has never had the slightest bit of heart trouble. He considers his stomach and intestinal tract both "his misery" and salvation.

When he left the farm at 18 to go to work as a telegrapher with the railroad, an inside job, he took along his farm boy appetite. Eating twice as much food as his body needed he soon became overweight. Dieting worked for a time, but soon the pounds came back. When he hit 210 while working in West Texas he decided to do something about it. He began hunting, walking and mountain climbing - a regime which kept the weight off Graves until his retirement in 1946.

"I attribute not having had the least heart trouble to mountain climbing," Graves says. He took up golf in the 1920s and was an avid golfer until just a few years ago. He still practices what he calls his "hit and walk stunt." He hits a golf ball on the front lawn, then walks up to it and hits it again, continuing on and on until his legs get enough of it. Lois Clement, a niece and next door neighbor, claims Graves is truly an inspiration to the neighbors who watch this golf game.

Graves is a firm believer in exercise - he considers the fact that he has exercised throughout his life a major factor in enabling him to reach the age of 100. Despite a dizzy spell and subsequent injury in September which forces him to use a walker to get around, he still exercises - he takes a walk of 300 to 400 steps each day.
Graves has this bit of advice for anyone wishing to live to be 100. "We should follow the wisdom of moderation in all things - not eat to excess, not drink to excess and not use tobacco to excess.~
Friends and relatives - some from as far away as New Jersey, Illinois and Tennessee - will be at the Graves home this afternoon to wish Graves "Happy Birthday". Graves lives in a separate small frame house behind the Graves residence. The doctor who operated on Graves eight years ago at Ochsner Foundation Hospital in New Orleans and his nurse plan to drive to Baton Rouge to bring birthday greetings to a special centenarian.
Gifts and messages from all over the United States, including one from President and Mrs. Reagan, have been coming to both homes for the past few weeks. This afternoon's festivities will include traditional birthday fare including a singing telegram for the veteran telegrapher.

Note: John S. Graves died less than a month later at 9 a.m. Friday, Feb 4, 1983 at Baton Rouge General Hospital.

3) ***William Henry Graves, Jr.***, b 17 Oct 1885, Roxie, Franklin Co., MS, d 2 Sep 1955, m 1st at Roxie, MS 26 May 1915, ***Myrtis Ellington***, b 12 Oct 1888, Sallis, Atalla Co., MS, d 12 Nov. 1918, Memphis, TN, bur Sallis, MS, m 2nd in Franklin Co., 7 MS June 1921, ***Ruth Cook Ellington***, b 2 Oct 1892, Sallis, MS, living 1990 in Charleston, MS, age 97. Both are daughters of ***Dewey J. Ellington*** and ***Phoebe Cook***. One child by the 1st marriage. Ruth lives Charleston, MS.

A) ***William Henry Graves III***, b 7 May 1916, Merigold, Bolivar Co., MS, d 8 Oct 1923.

B) ***Charlotte Maxine Graves***, b 30 Jan 1924 Merigold, MS, m at Charleston, MS 15 May 1948 ***Harlon Earl Spotts, Sr.***, b 1 Oct 1924, Fremont, Dodge Co., NB, d 5 Nov 1987 Hyannis, ME, bur Quiver Neck Cemetery, East Dennis, ME, son of ***Earl Kenneth Spotts*** and ***Odis Hansworth***. She lives in East Dennis, ME (P.O. Box 543) and has supplied information on her family.

a) ***Nancy Lynn Spotts***, b 26 Apr 1952, Memphis, TN, m at Gaffney, SC 24 July 1974 ***Charles Hobart Sides III***, teaches technical writing, b 23 Feb 1952, Monroe, NC, son of ***Charles Hobart Sides, Jr.*** and ***Virginia Smith***, live at 4 Carter Rd, Westminister, MA.

1/ ***Adoniram "Adam" Bartlett Sides***, b 12 Jan 1982, Concord, MA.

2/ ***Hannah Ellington Sides***, b 12 Jan 1987, Concord, MA.

b) ***Harlon Earl Spotts, Jr.***, b 14 May 1957, New Orleans, LA, m at Pluckemin, NJ 30 May 1982 ***Diane Demesik***, b 30 Mar 1958, Hartford, CT, dau of ***Daniel William Demesik*** and ***Doris Wadstrom***. He teaches marketing, lives 7 Partridgeville Rd., Templeton, MA.

1/ ***Derrick Ellery Spotts***, b 24 June 1989, Leominster, Worcester Co., MA.

c) ***Michael Graves Spotts***, b 6 Aug 1964, Evanston, IL. Michael sent in data on himself stating he was unmarried. He lives Buzzard Bay, ME.

C) ***Helen Phoebe Graves***, b 14 Apr 1927, Merigold, Bolivar, MS, m at Charleston, Tallahatche, MS 20 Nov 1950 ***Carlisle Webb Mitchum, Jr.***, b 3 May 1923, Erin, Houston, Co., TN, son of ***Carlisle Webb Mitchum, Sr.*** and ***Ruth Uffelman***. They live on Rt. 1, Box 87, Erin, TN.

a) ***Carlisle Webb "Mitch" Mitchum III***, b 18 Nov 1954, Nashville, TN, m Erin, TN 9 Apr 1988 ***Emily Jo Wall***.

b) ***Melanie Ruth Mitchum***, b 25 Mar 1958, Nashville, TN, m at Nashville, 22 Nov 1986 ***William Daniel Leader, Jr.***

1/ ***Daniel Curtis Leader***, b 4 July 1989, Nashville, TN.

D) ***Jack Winston Graves***, b 28 Sep 1928, Merigold, MS, m 1st at Memphis, TN 29 Nov 1958 ***Barbara Ann Brunson***, b 9 Aug 1932, m 2nd at River Forest, IL 29 Mar 1980 ***Mable Elveria Palmquist***, b 3 Oct 1937, Memphis, TN, dau of ***Lawrence Malcolm Palmquist*** and ***Phoebe Christina Iverson***. Mable m 1st ***Victor Garnet Hammons, Sr.*** who died 1977. The 1st child, Stephen Landon Graves, was adopted from the 1st marriage to Barbara Ann; the last child, Victor Garnet Hammons, Jr., was Mable's child by her first marriage. Live 8 Bent Tree Dr., Asheville, NC. They sent in data on this family.

a) ***Stephen Landon Graves***, b 19 Oct 1952, Memphis, Shelby Co., TN, child of wife's first marriage, adopted, m 1982 ***Jane Shepherd***.

b) ***Carol Ann Graves***, twin, b 9 May 1959, twin, Memphis, TN, m 1979 ***William Yocius***.

c) ***Cheryl Marie Graves***, twin, b 9 May 1959, twin, Memphis, TN, m 1978 ***James E. Henson***.

d) ***Linda Kay Graves***, b 9 May 1960, Harvey, Cook Co., IL, m 1984 ***James Graczyk***.

e) ***John William Graves***, twin, b 30 July 1964, Harvey, IL, m 1 Dec 1990 ***Amy Steninger***.

f) ***James Allen Graves***, twin, b 30 July 1964, Harvey, IL.

g) ***Victor Garnet Hammons, Jr.***, b 4 Apr 1974, Memphis, TN. He is the child by the second wife's first marriage.

5) ***Benjamin Franklin Graves***, b 18 Mar 1890, Franklin Co., MS, d 31 Oct 1971, bur Odd Fellows Cemetery, Greenwood, MS, m at Ruleville, Sunflower Co., MS 27 Oct 1912 ***Mary Savoy Hullum***, (twin to ***Rebecca Janie Hullum***) b 13 Mar 1891 Red Bone Plantation, Warren Co., MS, d 27 Oct 1951, Greenwood, Leflore Co., MS, both bur Odd Fellows Cemetery, Greenwood, MS, dau of ***Green Mattingly Hullum*** and ***Mary Elizabeth Hankison***.

A) ***Charles Franklin Graves***, b 14 Aug 1913 Phillip, Tallahatchee Co., MS, d 28 Sept 1913, bur Old Union Baptist Church Cemetery, Franklin Co., 3 miles south southeast of Roxie on County Rt. 178.

B) ***Robert Edwin Graves***, b 25 Nov 1914, Marks, Quitman Co., MS, d 19 Mar 1915, bur Old Union Baptist Church Cemetery, Franklin Co., MS.

C) ***Mary Helen Graves***, b 17 Aug 1917, Sunflower, Sunflower Co., MS, m at Greenwood, Leflore Co., MS 20 May 1945 ***Albert Bush Cranwell, Jr.***, b 27 Mar 1919, Pikesville, TN, d 5 Feb 1977, Florence, AL, bur Florence, AL, son of ***Albert Bush Cranwell, Sr.*** and ***Anna Christine Taylor***. Mary Helen lives 712 Main St., Corinth, MS.

a) ***Helen Elizabeth Cranwell***, b 14 Sep 1947, Greenwood, MS.

b) ***Albert Bush Cranwell III***, twin, b 5 May 1950, Chattanooga, TN.

c) ***Rebecca Ann Cranwell***, twin, b 5 May 1950, Chattanooga, TN.

D) ***Janie Ruth Graves***, twin, b 20 Feb 1921, Sunflower, MS, d 2 Oct 1924, Greenwood, MS.

E) ***Rebecca Catherine Graves*** (twin), b 20 Feb 1921, Sunflower, MS, m in Greenwood, MS 23 Dec. 1947 Tom Neely, Jr., b 1 Jan 1920, Jackson, MS, son of ***Tom Neely, Sr.*** and ***Missie Peacock***. They live 14 Autumn Park, Jackson, MS. Catherine sent in data on her family stating that the name Tom is correct.

a) ***Rebecca Catherine Neely***, b 17 Apr 1956, Atlanta, GA, m Atlanta, 16 Sep 1978 ***Darrell Ormond Grimes***.

1/ ***Bradford Darrell Grimes***, b 19 Jan 1981, Atlanta, Fulton Co., GA.

2/ ***Gary Thomas Grimes***, b 20 Apr 1984, Atlanta, GA.

7) ***Myrtle Elizabeth Graves***, b 29 July 1894, near Roxie, MS, Franklin Co., d 12 Mar 1985, Chattanooga, TN, bur Natchez, MS, m in Roxie, MS (Vol. 5-75 by D. W. Hunt JP) 29 Dec 1915, ***Hamilton "Ham" Burton Nelson, Sr.***, rural mail carrier, b 7 Oct 1890 between Liberty and Gloster, MS, d 8 Nov. 1969, killed by a pet deer at home near Natchez, MS, bur Greenlawn Cemetery, Morgantown Rd., Natchez, MS, son of ***Ben Drake Nelson*** and ***Dorah Lovenia Jenkins***.

A) ***Dora Helena Nelson***, b 29 Oct 1917, Roxie, MS, m in Natchez (Bk.DD-281) 18 May 1940 ***James Curran Culpepper***, b 2 July 1907, Gilbert, Franklin Parish, LA, d 18 Sep 1944, Palau Islands (Pacific), WWII, bur Phillipine Islands, son of ***(Dr.) James Curran Culpepper*** and ***Vera Cochran***. Dora N. Culpepper, P.O. Box 1898, Collegedale, TN, has assisted with the record of her line.

a) ***Anita Patricia Culpepper***, b 3 Sep 1943, Natchez, MS, m at Natchez, 12 Apr 1967 ***Edwin Joseph Young, Jr.***, b 27 Jan 1941.

1/ ***Kristin Nicole Young***, b 2 Dec 1978, Natchez, MS.

B) ***Myrtle Ruth Nelson***, b 2 Oct 1922, Roxie, MS, m at Columbia, SC 21 Aug 1942 ***James Walter Shepherd***, Deputy Sheriff of Madison Co., MS, then owned a plantation near Lake Providence, LA, b 12 Feb 1920, Washington Co., MS, son of ***Walter Richard Shepherd*** and ***Polly Wiggley***. Myrtle Ruth Shepherd, Rt. 1 Box 137, Merigold, MS, compiled some of the writings of John Seab Graves and had a few copies bound. She has assisted very much with records of the Hamilton Burton Nelson family.

a) ***Barbara Jean Shepherd***, b 31 May 1944, Columbia, SC, m 8 Mar 1968 ***Clyde David Hood***, b 5 Apr 1944, son of ***Clyde Dewey Hood*** and ***Juanita Irene Reed***. They live at the Experiment Station near Homer, LA where he is the dairy manager.

1/ ***James Dewey Hood***, adopted, b 17 Nov 1971, Monroe, LA.

b) ***James Walter Shepherd, Jr.***, b 31 Aug 1948, Canton, MS, m at Lake Providence, LA 14 Aug 1971 ***Janet Marie Brown***, b 5 Aug 1952, Lake Providence, LA.

1/ ***James Gregory Shepherd***, b 19 July 1980, Monroe, LA.

2/ ***Blake Hamilton Shepherd***, b 18 Aug 1982, Monroe, LA.

c) ***Michael Richard Shepherd***, b 10 Nov 1954, Canton, MS, m 10 May 1980 ***Janice Ann Parker***, b 30 Nov 1955 , Rayville, LA.

1/ ***Chelsea Caroline Shepherd***, b 26 Aug 1985, Cleveland, MS.

2/ ***Parker Elliot Shepherd***, b 23 Aug 1990, Cleveland, MS.

d) ***William Nelson Shepherd***, b 9 June 1958, Lake Providence, LA, m at Lake Providence, LA 6 Sep 1980 ***Kay Crawford***, b 13 Oct 1957.

1/ ***Kanna Shepherd***, b 15 Oct 1986, Monroe, LA.

e) ***John David Shepherd***, b 22 Apr 1960, Lake Providence, m at Cleveland, MS 21 Nov 1984 ***Melissa Gaye Ellis Commander***, b 5 Nov 1966. Div.

1/ ***Walter Bradley Shepherd***, b 6 Nov 1986, Ruston, LA.

C) ***Hamilton Burton Nelson, Jr.***, b 28 Oct 1929, Natchez, MS, m at Natchez 14 Aug 1960 ***Margaret Bell Montgomery***, b 22 Feb 1921, Natchez, MS. She married first ***Mr. Hein*** by whom she had two children. They live 141 Morgantown Rd., Natchez, MS. [Marjorie's children are:

a) ***Mary Margaret Hein***, b 14 May 1945, m 22 Feb 1968 ***Kenneth Rearick***. Div. No issue.

b) ***Frederick William Hein***, b 19 Nov 1946, m Dec 1968 ***Janie Scarborough***, div., m 2nd after 1981 in Natchez, ***Dianne Willard Havard***. He operates a coin-machine business.

1/ ***Evangeline Marie Hein***, b 19 May 1969.

2/ ***William Brandon Hein***, b 26 Jun 1973.]

D) ***Betty Jean Nelson***, b 7 Aug 1933, near Natchez, MS, d 5 Apr 1976, Nashville, TN, bur Greenlawn Cemetery on Morgantown Road, Natchez, MS, m Nacogdoches, TX 27 Aug 1952 ***Rexford Thomas Leatherwood***, b 13 Mar 1933, Elkhart, Anderson Co., TX, son of ***Dennie Edward Leatherwood*** and ***Edna Mae Garrison***, lived Madison College, TN.

a) ***Rex Edward Leatherwood***, b 7 Nov 1957, Cleburne, TX, m 23 Dec 1984 ***Cynthia Lynn Roth***, div., no issue.

Myrtle Ruth Shepherd preserved the writings of John Seab Graves.

A Life Story of and by JOHN S. GRAVES.

There are three reasons why I'm writing this story:

First-- I don't think it was possible for me to survive the many accidents I was subjected to without the blessings of Divine Providence, and by the written word, I wish to express my gratitude.

Second-- One of the nieces asked me to do so.

Third-- I thought that there may be others, who would like to know what my recipe is for having reached almost 95, and still be able to hit the little white ball around, and do some fishing with the boys.

I was born in a farm home, on January 27th 1883, near a bubbling spring, and a huge primitive forest on the east side with a stream running through it, teaming with fish and a wide expanse of farm land and a pasture for the pigs, sheep, goats, cattle and horses on the west side. When we boys were not in the field at work, we were in the forest hunting or roaming through the woods in search of wild fruits or nuts, or in the stream fishing or swimming.

My brother Bill and I learned our ABC's in a one room school house located about two miles from our home, in the woods, near the Roxie-Meadville road and near a deep hollow or a canyon. To have fun, we kids would slide down to the bottom of this hollow, and race back to the top to see who could get there first. We'd do this until our legs and rump got sore.

The next school we attended was the Roxie school which was about 3 miles west of our home, and as there was no bus to pick us up, we had to use what the Lord gave us--our legs and feet to get us there and back.

The only incident that involved me, that I can recall, is that my teacher tried to get me to memorize a few lines to recite at closing of the school and when she called on me, I couldn't recall a word of it. Then I thought I heard her say--you are dumb, sit down, and that's what I did!

The next school we attended was the White Apple school, which was five miles south of our home by road but only four miles as a crow would fly. As we still had no transportation, except our feet and legs, we used the crow's route. Our father moved us to the White Apple school because Mr. Leatherman was a well-educated man with a lot of experience as a teacher. Father thought we'd learn something from him but the facts were that he had poor material to work with and most of his efforts went down the drain.

The next and last school we attended was the Rosedale school which was also located in the woods near the Roxie-Meadville road. It was about three miles, by road, from our home but only

two miles as a crow would fly and of course there was no bus to pick us up, so we used the crow route by cutting through the woods.

The woods surrounding this school was dense and ideal for playing "FOX" which was a great sport for the kids in those days. We would select a fast runner to play the Fox, who would hide himself deep in the woods and the Fox hounds (the kids) would scatter all over the woods, jump the Fox and run him down if they could. It was always a lot of fun and we often played it. After attending this school three or four years, studying history, geography, arithmetic, writing, and spelling we figured that we had enough education not having any foresight or vision and we dropped out. In fact we were needed on the farm to help make ends meet. In those days it was current thought that if a boy had what it takes, he would make a success without much education, and if he didn't have what it takes it would be a waste of time and money to educate him and it's possible that our parents held this viewpoint and let us get away with the drop out.

My Grandfather, John Q. Graves, must have had what it takes as he became head of the Board of Supervisors of Franklin County when I was a small kid and he remained as such until he passed away. He was regarded as one of the leading citizens of the County and was honored by the Y & M V Railroad, in naming the town of Roxie after his daughter Roxie. Also my Father must have had what it takes as he became a J.P. of the Roxie District when I was a little kid, and absorbed enough law to be able to meet the needs of the people in the western part of the county in the way of legal instruments, such as deeds, mortgages and contracts and when my Grandfather passed away, my Father succeeded him as head of this Board, and he too remained in this office until he passed away in 1924. They must have been two good politicians to achieve a record like that.

When I reached the age of 17, I began to use my mind a little and ask myself--do you wish to settle on being a follower of the mule and plow and a cotton picker, and work a whole year raising five cent cotton, before finding out if you made anything or learn telegraphy and get on a payroll and have some money in my pocket once a month--I chose the latter.

It became a habit with Bill and me to go to Roxie, either Saturday evening or Sunday to see the Bumble Bee (train) come in and gaze at the passengers getting off and on the train and gaze at the crowd who gathered at the station to do the same thing. After the train moved out, we would linger at the depot to watch the telegrapher manipulate the key and ticker which made us think about a peckerwood hammering away on the limb of a dead tree. We became fascinated with it and concluded that telegraphy would be a good way to liberate ourselves from the mule and plow and from always being broke. It wasn't long before I ordered a telegraphy learners outfit and when I learned how to transmit the Morse Code fairly well, I ordered another outfit and set it up in another room and as my brother Henry was as much interested as I was, he transmitted the code to me, and I did the same for him and when I reached the point that I could receive and write down what was transmitted to me fairly good, I asked my Father to arrange for further study at the depot in Roxie and in three or four months I was on the payroll of the Y&MV, with some money in my pocket and I was happy as a June Bug.

A telegrapher by the name of Hutto worked at Vicksburg for the Y&MV at the time, who could transmit the Morse code with incredible speed and perfection. When that guy came in on the wire most all of the boys up and down the line would stop work to listen at his wonderful performance

and I became so enchanted that I vowed that I'd emulate him or bust trying and realizing that the only way I could ever write down what a Guy like him could shoot at me as fast as he could, would be to learn how to use a typewriter with speed and that's what I did, and it wasn't but a year or two before I could sit on the hot wires of the country.

I worked at many points between Vicksburg and New Orleans, winding up as agent and telegrapher at Roxie, my home town, and in 1904, I was summarily fired for overlooking a train order, but a conductor was as much to blame as I was for he misplaced the order, taking it away from the place I kept my orders. I didn't mention this, in fact I didn't wait around and seek reinstatement. Jobs were plentiful in those days, but my dismissal triggered a chain of events that changed my life in many ways.

I headed for Louisiana and got in touch with the Chief of the Old Iron Mountain at MerRouge, Louisiana and asked him if he could use a good telegraph operator or an agent and he said come to MerRouge for a test. When I got there he said, "Young fellow, sit down at that telegraph table and copy some of those messages, passing through" and after I handed him a few, he said "I can use you at Dumas, Arkansas."

He gave me a pass to get me there and when I got aboard the train and seated with a cigar in my mouth and became aware of the fact I was riding free on a passenger train and back on a payroll, my old heart swelled and throbbed in delight. I was as happy as a Woodchuck.

After working at Dumas thirty days, I was sent to Winchester, Arkansas which is also located in the Delta, in fact it is located on a scummy bayou and I didn't like it there. The mosquitos flew around in droves looking for a free lunch and the bullfrogs chirped a symphony all night to either entertain us or keep us awake.

In a few months the Tillar Agency opened up and I was assigned to it (it may have been the hand of destiny that arranged it). Tillar derived it's name from a millionaire by that name from Little Rock who owned most of the town and surrounding country.

One day, while I was uptown, it came to my observation that most of the young fellows were either humming or whistling, Alexander's Rag Time Band, the song that immortalized Irving Berlin, and I asked a guy what was causing the epidemic and he said - "Go to the dance Saturday night and you'll get the answer." I showed up at the dance but only as a spectator as I'd never learned how to dance. The musicians played this tune over and over and I became so enchanted with it and the dancing that I couldn't sit still, especially the dancing of a lady with beautiful statistics, and when I went home that night I said - "I must meet that lady and somehow win her friendship."

Well, it wasn't long before I met her and realizing that in those days if you didn't take a girl buggy riding you couldn't win her friendship, so I proposed a buggy ride and she accepted, saying, "Let's attend the Memorial Service at the Methodist Church three miles in the country next Sunday." It was an all day service with dinner out under the trees and we sure enjoyed both the service and the refreshments.

Well, the buggy ride was the key to the situation. At the time, I couldn't put in words my feelings but I realized that I had found what I needed, the friendship of a lady whom I admired and while

she didn't put in words how she felt, it was obvious to me that she felt the same way as the radiance in her face reflected it.

Shortly after the buggy ride, her contract with her employer ended and she returned to her home at Searcy, Arkansas. She had designed and built hats for the ladies in town and surrounding country. In about thirty days, I took a vacation and made it a priority to visit her and meet her family. Soon after I arrived, she proposed a buggy ride with their own horse and buggy. She wanted me to see Searcy Girls College where she went to school and other places of interest in the city and surrounding country. While there, she showed me a picture of a bunch of students who attended Princeton University which included the pictures of her Father and Woodrow Wilson. Her Father was a lawyer in Searcy and she said, he had taught the men's Sunday School class in the Methodist Church there up until he passed away.

On my way back to my job, I said to myself, she is the daughter of a lawyer and her oldest sister was married to a banker and the family lived in a two story elegant home located in the best part of town. I said, what a background and I wondered if she knew I was an ex-cotton picker if she'd jettison me? Anyway, I resolved to hold onto her friendship until I could accumulate some money and then try to get her to walk to the altar with me.

I didn't know it at the time, but I must have absorbed a thousand malaria germs at Winchester for soon after returning from my vacation, I went down with malarial fever and it took a lot of quinine and calomel to check it, which in my mind caused my stomach to collapse on me. Anyway, when I get up out of bed I said, I'm getting the heck out of here for keeps. As soon as I was able to travel, I went to the railroad hospital in St. Louis for treatment. After two weeks of it, my malarial problem seemed to be solved but my stomach was acid as ever and I was losing weight every day.

I decided to head for my parent's home where I was born to rebuild my health by getting back into the lap of Mother Nature, fish, swim and hunt. When I arrived at Roxie a guard with a long-barreled shotgun wouldn't let me detrain there until my Father walked up and told the guy that I was from St. Louis and had not been exposed to yellow fever and he let me off with the advice to get out of town muy pronto (in Mexican--very quick). That was one time I was glad to get out of town and I stayed out of it until fall long after the yellow fever had died out.

The yellow fever had spread north from New Orleans and had killed lots of people all along the way. My grandfather's second wife was a victim of it and quite a number of people succumbed to it in and around Roxie.

My father believed in Predestination, that is, the time of a man's death is set at birth, and we had several friendly arguments about it. I just can't accept that theory, because I think it would be accusing our Lord with discrimination. For example--my youngest sister succumbed to cancer at the age of 23, and here I'm still alive at almost 95.

Here's more proof that the theory is wrong. The lethal killer (yellow fever) originated in Guatamala and as soon as the killer died out, our government sent two young doctors down there to research until they determined the carrier of the yellow fever germ and after months of research and study, they found that a certain type of mosquito was the carrier of the deadly germ and with the

cooperation of the Guatamalian government, they destroyed this mosquito by spraying the whole country with insecticides and there hasn't been a single outbreak since then (1905). I say this, if those two doctors hadn't gone to Guatamala and discovered the carrier of that lethal germ, which led to the destruction of it, thousands of people would have died long before they did.

After six months of outdoor living and close contact with Mother Nature, I had gained a lot of strength and to ease my mind, I wanted to get back on the payroll. I asked the Chief on the old Y&MV for a job and he sent me to Vicksburg where Hutto had worked. After working there for a few months, Mr. Boatner, the Chief, called me one day and said "I need you here" (at Wilson) "to handle my wire work." That made me as happy as a June Bug for it would give me an opportunity to show the boys up and down the line that I could handle key and ticker as fast and proficiently as Hutto could.

After working there a few months, I began having chills and fever again. It would get me down for a few days and I'd go back to work and about fourteen days I'd go down again and on and on like this until I was thin as a rail and on top of that I had a terrible acid stomach to contend with and I told the Chief that if I didn't do something soon I'd conk out, and I asked for a sixty day leave.

I planned to go to Gulfport and take sea and sun baths and see if they would help me but when I got to New Orleans I was told that the mosquitos there would pump more malaria into me and advised me to go to the mountain country where the malaria germ doesn't exist and I caught a Southern Pacific train and didn't detrain until I reached El Paso, Texas.

After seeing the city and enjoying the strange but fascinating sights, such as a big cow man, with a big white hat on, wearing boots and spurs with a big pistol strapped to him, I liked the west and said, "I'm gonna root down out here." In a few days I got in touch with the Chief of the EP&SW (now owned by Southern Pacific) and asked him for a job, and he sent me to Oscura, New Mexico. Oscura was an important watering point for their engines and the water had a strong solution of sulphur in it which was the very therapy I needed to rehabilitate myself. I like to think that the Divine Providence played a role in the lucky break I got. Anyway, I kept filled up on the water and didn't have another chill or an attack of fever and soon began gaining my weight back. I was as happy as a Boy getting his first toy pistol.

I sat down and wrote Mr. Boatner at Wilson, Louisiana and told him about my health improvements and that common sense tells me that I'd better stay where I am, thanking him for his kind treatment. When I did this, I realized that I was giving up an opportunity to advance, but I put health first. Eventually Mr. Boatner moved up the ladder of success to become President of the C&NW at Chicago, and when Woodrow Wilson took over the railroads, during World War One, he made Mr. Boatner one of the directors of them. Who knows, if I had remained with him, I may have gotten on his coat tail and moved up with him, but I am glad I put health first, otherwise, it is very probable that I would have been in my grave.

Oscura, New Mexico, is located in the middle of a forty mile plateau which is flanked on the east side by the Sacramento Mountains with it's highest peak just east of there and is flanked on the west side by a smaller range of mountains and between this range and Oscura is a wide black streak of solidified lava, extending entirely across this plateau which flowed from an active volcano thousands of years ago.

This plateau is treeless, except at a water hole, or near a rancher's windmill, there is a cottonwood or two, but it's blanketed with mesquite, Black brush, the Dagger bush and many species of cactus, all of which appear to be in a hopeless struggle for survival, but when the summer rains set in, they burst into new life and take on a healthy look. Grass and weeds and wild flowers spring up when the summer rains set in and cattle wax fat and thousand of Blue Quail come down from the mountains to enjoy this new life and believe me, I got my share of them. When I wasn't working I was either hunting or walking though this wide expanse, trying to learn something about all of those plants.

All of the plant life in this semi-desert have some means of defense for their survival. For example, the Dagger bush has a large trunk like a date palm (it could be the ancestor of it) and in the center of it's trunk is a spongy substance that serves as a reservoir to store up water when the summer rains set in and have been known to survive through three years of drouth. The cactus also has the same kind of reservoir in it's trunk and can survive long periods of drouth. These plants, especially the cactus have weapons to defend themselves. Also they are well thorned from bottom to top and no animal can use it for food. The top of Black brush is bitter as quinine which is it's means of survival, and the Mesquite bush is so heavily thorned that no animal dare monkey with it.

While working at Oscura, a long freight train wrecked, near Three Rivers, New Mexico, a small village south of Oscura, and it was such a bad wreck that officials thought it would take several days to clear and repair the track and restore service, that they thought telegraph service would be needed there. Anyway, the Chief Dispatcher called me one night and told me about it and said be prepared to get aboard the wrecker train which would arrive at Oscura within an hour, and go with it to the wreck to provide telegraph service.

The lineman had the necessary telegraph facilities ready for me when I got there. They consisted of a small table with the key and ticker fastened to it, and a chair sitting next to a telephone pole. What a unique setup--the great outdoors was the office and the brilliant starlit sky was the roof. That night the atmosphere was crystal clear and I never realized that there were so many up there. They were truly like diamonds in the sky. All of this and the privilege of providing telegraph service in putting the track back into service made me as happy as a Woodchuck sitting on the side of a dead tree, picking it to pieces in search of Sawyers (big fat worms).

The village of Three Rivers, got it's name from the three rivers beginning at the foot, though miles apart, of the Sacramento mountains that converge to one at this village. Secretary of the Interior, A. B. Fall had a big ranch there and was said to have been seen with a satchet full of money and if my memory serves me correctly, it triggered an investigation by Washington and he was charged with bribery for accepting $50,000 from the Sinclair Oil Company for leasing the mineral rights of the Government in Wyoming to them.

It puzzles me that an intelligent man, will let GREED cause him to do most anything no matter how much is at stake nor what the risk is. Mr. Fall with his head of bushy gray hair, was a distinguished looking man and was highly respected in New Mexico and El Paso, where he spent a lot of his time and I was surprised to see him commit suicide (politically I mean) but many have done this for the love of money.

It is my belief that GREED in people is the root of this Nation's economic troubles. Some say it's inflation that has shot up prices and depreciated the dollar to about a third of it's former value, but I say it's GREED. I may be wrong in saying that fifty percent of the people are robbing the other fifty percent, not with the gun, but by overcharging them for goods or services and I'm happy that I didn't get into business or the professions or some of the labor groups and rob my fellowman.

I was working at Tecolore, New Mexico which is high up in Mountain Country and one morning I awakened to find the earth covered with snow and I said "snow on September 5th". I went to the Key and sent in my resignation and asked for a pass to El Paso. I said "I'm getting out of here quick as I can."

Some time before that, San Francisco had been destroyed by an earthquake and I had written the General Passenger Agent for a pass to San Francisco and return. I told him I wanted to see the devastation and lucky for me, I got it. When I arrived at El Paso, I decided to root down there until December 15th and then make the trip to San Francisco. I like El Paso and still do and when I went to work for the Western Union there, I had graduated as a railroad telegrapher and I wanted to graduate as a commercial telegrapher.

On December 15th, I headed for San Francisco, and when I got there the first thing on the agenda was to find a place to stay and I had to do a lot of searching. I located a three story wood structure that was thrown up for temporary use as a hotel until the city was rebuilt and secured a room.

The next morning, I walked to the top of Knob Hill, which is the highest point in the city where I could get a bird's eye view of the devastation. As far as the eye can see there wasn't anything but rubbish. What the quake didn't destroy the fire did. The quake disrupted the water system and the fire could not be extinquished. What a terrible disaster it was and the thought of the dead, injured and the thousands made homeless made me wish that I hadn't seen it.

I was charmed by what I saw in California and tried to find a job out there but a hard freeze had destroyed a lot of the vegetable and citrus crops and the railroads and business in general were experiencing a slump and forces were being cut and I couldn't land a job. I had already worked in 7 different states and had built up quite a nomadic record and I wanted to expand it.

I headed back but decided to stop at Los Angeles and see some folks who I'd known a long time but hadn't seen in a coon's age.

When I was a young fellow, around 17, I happened to be in the depot at Roxie one night, when the Vaughn family left there on the train for Los Angeles, where they intended to root down permanently and I wanted to see these folks again. There were two daughters, Minnie and Tennie, and I thought the latter was the prettiest girl I'd ever seen.

When I detrained at Los Angeles, I called them up on the phone to let them know I wished to see them and get directions on how to find their home. When I arrived they were delighted to see me and asked me to walk upstairs with them saying they wanted to show me my room as they wanted me to stay with them while in the City. Their home sat on an elevated spot overlooking a lake, embellished with beautiful tropical plants and citrus trees. What a beautiful spot, I thought. Yes,

I'll be glad to stay here while I'm in the city. Both Minnie and Tennie happened to be at home. Tennie had married but had lost her husband. She was working as a secretary down town and one day she asked me to go down with her and enjoy the city until noon and we'd lunch together.

Think of it, an ex-cotton picker, and a follower of the mule and plow lunching with a beautiful woman like her. It was like a blessing dropped from above, and added a lot of spice to my trip and the only thing I can think of comparable to it would be a rich, creamy sauce, well spiced, poured on a serving of blackberry cobbler. I was as happy as a June Bug every minute I was there but my pass was about to expire, and as I wanted to get back on a payroll, I headed back to El Paso.

There was no delay in finding a job with the Southern Pacific and I soon went to work in their relay office in El Paso. In those days, the Morse Code could not be transmitted much over a thousand miles and as El Paso is about half way between San Francisco and New Orleans, El Paso became a large relay office. The executive department of the SP is located in New York and as their message traffic had to be routed by way of New Orleans the El Paso office sounded like 100 woodpeckers hammering on a dead tree. Well, in handling the messages exchanged between the big shots in the high echelons, is how I got a little education--some of the intelligence in them rubbed off on me, but not much at that.

In the spring of 1908 the urge to see my parents and go fishing became so pent-up and of course being sort of nomadic (it could be that I inherited the nomadic urge that descended from the Stone Age man) I just couldn't resist it any longer, and I uprooted again and headed for Mississippi.

After about a month with my parents and the fishing urge satisfied, I asked the chief dispatcher of the Y&MV for a job and he sent me to the Vicksburg office to relieve the telegrapher in the superintendent's office for 30 days and when he returned, I was sent to Memphis to work in the general office there.

In 1909 a business slump hit the V&MV and they cut off some of their employees, and as I happened to be the youngest man in seniority I got the axe. Well, it pays to give good service. The assistant superintendent of telegraph gave me both railroad and pullman pass to Chicago and gave me a note to the manager of the Chicago office, asking him to use me if he could, but at the time he was full up but said--I have a good friend who is the chief for the Postal Telegraph Company there, he'd be glad to give me a note to him to use me if he could. Well, I went to work there but after living in Chicago a month or so I found it was too big for an ex-cotton picker and I headed out of there for Dixieland. Chicago's bigness wasn't the only reason I didn't like it. I always thought that I was out of contact with Mother Nature when my feet wasn't on the ground and all of the time I was in Chicago, my feet didn't ever touch the ground, and as I walked a lot to keep my heart, lungs and legs strong, and as my feet just wouldn't orient to concrete, my feet were always sore, and I wasn't happy about that.

When I was on the I.C.'s fast train rolling south to Dixieland with my eyes focused on the landscape of the cotton belt passing by, my mind turned to what my to-be wife had written me a week before: She said among other things--"You haven't been to see me in four years and that's a long time for a girl to stay stuck on a guy without a visit from him." I interpreted that to mean that she'd soon jettison me if I didn't come to see her muy pronto (in English much quick) and I detrained at Memphis for that purpose.

She was at Lonoke, Arkansas which is only a few train hours from Memphis, making ladies hats for a clothing firm there. When I detrained there, I ran into a guy waiting to get aboard the same train and I said--"Wright, what are you doing up in this neck of the woods?" (I knew him at Tillar when I worked there in 1905) and he said "I came up to see Miss Latimer (my to-be wife) but she soon let me know she was stuck on another guy and I think it's you." When I got in touch with her I told her what he'd said and I asked her who the guy was. She said "He's the guy I went buggy riding with in Tillar, Arkansas." I reached over and kissed her and told her that as soon as I could land a good paying job we'd take a walk to the altar, if it's O.K. with you at that time.

The next morning I took the train for Little Rock in my search for a railroad agency. There was too much tension working on fast wires and I had enough of it. When I got in touch with the chief dispatcher on the Old Mountain at Little Rock and told him about what I was looking for, he said "I'm full up at the present but I feel sure you can find what you want on the Louisiana division." When I got down there I didn't get what I wanted but I did get one as relief agent and while working as such the Farmersville Agency opened and I was assigned to it.

It was just what I was looking for. Farmersville, Louisiana is located in Union Parish and in the Hilly country of North Louisiana and wasn't contaminated with the malaria germ or at least nobody ever got down with it like I did in the Arkansas Delta. The terrain consisted of hills, small valleys and hollows and it was broken up in small farms with it's pastures full of broom straw and briar patches, which was an ideal habitat for Bob White, Mother Nature's most delicious meat of all, and the hunting of them was my favorite sport. I wish my vocabulary was adequate to describe how much I enjoyed hunting and eating them all through the winter.

In 1910 I wrote my to-be wife to meet me at the Gayoso Hotel in Memphis, (giving the time and date) and we'd look up a minister and have him tie the marriage-knot and then we'd head for St. Louis by train to enjoy our honeymoon. It was indeed the most enjoyable experience I ever had. We enjoyed the luxuries of a fine hotel, attended major league baseball, attended the theater, and indulged in my wife's favorite sport--window shopping.

In about 10 days, reality returned to our minds and we began to think rationally. I said "what shall we do when we get to Farmersville--live at the Pace Hotel where I've been staying or shall we go into the housekeeping business?" Well when we got back we decided to live at the hotel and defer crossing the housekeeping bridge until later on.

At that time I was enjoying excellent health and my stomach let my appetite expand too much, running my weight up to 200 pounds. In 1912 my stomach went haywire again and it affected me just like it did in 1905 and 1906, and diet and treatment didn't do me any good. My wife and I went to Cooper's Wells in Mississippi and drank it's mineral water for thirty days but got no relief which disappointed me very much as that Resort had the reputation of being the place to go to get rid of stomach disorders.

At the end of thirty days, I returned to my job thinking that the mineral water did a good job in cleaning out my system and that I would eventually improve, but time proved that I was wrong in my assumption and I continued to lose weight. It began to look like I would get thin as a rail again and I'd have to go west again to rehabilitate myself. Well it wasn't long before I up-rooted again and headed for El Paso.

Soon after we arrived in El Paso, I went to work at division headquarters of the Southern Pacific lines, where I had previously worked for several years. I again found out it pays to give good service. Despite the fact that I was plaqued with an acid stomach, and poor digestion, I had some strength and stamina left and I intended to use it as long as I had it. After working there a year it was obvious to me that I couldn't hope to improve my health as long as I sat at a telegraph table, transmitting the Morse code at high speed or translating it, and typing it coming at me at high speed and I asked for an agency out on the line.

I worked at five different places on the El Paso division and finally got what I wanted in 1917. The agency which was joint with the T&P opened for bid that year and I was assigned to it (The Sierra Blanca Agency). I had three telegraphers to do the wire work and handle trains of both roads and two clerks to assist me with the station work. I wasn't tied down to a desk all day, and I could get away from the office most any time. The job was just what I needed to rebuild my health and not least to maintain it. There were three separate high mountain ranges within a few miles of Sierra Blanca and they were inhabited by deer and blue quail, besides they are health builders if you climb them. I had read what a philosopher said about mountain climbing. He said: "Climb the mountains and some of their strength will flow into you." I found this to be true. When I first climbed one I had to sit down and rest several times before I reached the top but after climbing a few of them, I could slowly walk to the top without stopping for rest.

During the fall and winter I'd often hunt deer or blue quail over and around those mountains and in the spring to keep active, I played golf with the boys. I broke the record, I stayed there 20 years, was offered a promotion but I turned the offer down because I had what I needed to rebuild and maintain my health.

While at Sierra Blanca, I acquired some acreage in the Rio Grande Valley, below there but after having an encounter with a Mexican outlaw on the river near it, I traded it for some acreage with a home on it with a pear orchard and a small vineyard to move to when I retired which was located in the El Paso Valley between Vstlera and El Paso.

In 1937 the Vsleta Agency opened for bid and I was assigned to it and we moved to our place, that I had traded for. In 1940 my wife had a stroke and was hospitalized for months. When her doctor told me I could take her back home, he also told me that she would always be an invalid which was bad news for me. It meant that we'd have to leave our home in the valley and move to El Paso to be with her sister and near a doctor and a hospital.

In 1944 a telegraph job opened at division headquarters in San Antonio and I bid for it and was assigned to it. I did it for a number of reasons--First of all I thought a change from high altitude to a lower one would be beneficial to my wife and as my telegraph arm was as good as it ever was, it would be a good opportunity to show the boys up and down the line that at 62 I could still transmit the telegraph code and translate and type it as fast and correctly as any of the young boys. As I was an avid golfer and there were three beautiful golf courses there (public ones) I wanted to play and enjoy them.

In 1946 my hearing became a problem and realizing that I should be with my sick wife, instead of working, I asked for my pension and retirement. In November that year it was granted and we moved to El Paso.

In 1947 my wife had a massive heart attack and passed away without uttering a word. What a blow it was to me. For months I was so depressed that I often wished I had gone with her. Poor thing, I wonder if she'd known I was an ex-farm boy that she'd fallen for me?

My brother-in-law and his wife (my wife's sister) were getting up in years and as they had no children nor any relatives in Texas, all three of us thought I needed them and they needed me. So I moved in with them and the deal turned out to be helpful to all three of us.

At that time I was on a diet and fixed my own meals, and as Mrs. Flournoy was feeble I did the same for them and most all of the other chores. Not having anything to do I enjoyed being helpful to them.

In 1956 Mr. Flournoy died of cancer at the age of 84 and his wife passed away in 1962, leaving me alone and my sister in Natchez urged me to move back in my home state and that's what I did.

In 1969 my sister's husband (Hamilton Nelson) was killed by a pet deer which left her alone in her home. She asked me to move in with her which was a noble thing for her to do and I tried to make the deal helpful to her. She was an avid gardner, in fact had been one all of her life, and always put in a big garden (I called it a little farm) and believe me it was just what I needed to absorb my idleness and give me plenty of exercise and keep me strong. Most any morning during the spring I'd be on the end of a hoe chopping out the grass and pulling the soil up around the thousands of plants.

Her home sits in the middle of a pecan grove and there's a big grassy lawn in front and when there wasn't any chopping to do in the garden, I'd be out on the lawn hitting the little white ball around to keep up on my swing and give my old heart and lungs needed exercise.

Two of her children and families have homes on the place and let me say this, they were very kind and helpful and I sure did enjoy their fellowship and kindness to me. When a man is around people for a long time they can tell if he's a phony or not and believe it or not they didn't ask me to leave town.

Biographical Sketches. First is a biographical story of the ***William Henry*** and ***Helena Marie Graves*** family and was written in Natchez, Mississippi, in 1968. It is written to make known their life story and for the purpose of establishing a family tree base to be added to, I hope, from time to time so that descendants to follow may have some knowledge of their ancestors.

My father, William Henry Graves, Sr., was born in Franklin County, Mississippi in 1858 and passed away in the village of Roxie (named after his sister, Roxie) at the age of 66, in 1924.

My mother, Helena Marie Graves, who was Miss Helena Marie Seab before marriage, was born in Franklin County, out on the Seab farm, 3 miles east of what later became Roxie, in 1857, and passed away at the age of 66 in 1923.

Both were laid to rest in the cemetery at the Union Baptist Church situated on the Roxie-Whiteapple Road.

Eight children were born to this union and are enumerated below, (some dates added):

1- Willie Lamar	born 12/31/81	passed away 02/03/48
2- John Seab	1/27/83	passed away 02/04/83
3- William Henry, Jr.	10/17/85	passed away 09/02/55
4- Leslie	3/ 8/88	passed away 08/31/95
5- Ben Franklin	3/18/90	passed away 10/31/71
6- Sicily Helena	8/18/92	passed away 9/25/95
7- Myrtle	7/29/94	passed away 3/12/85
8- Helena Margaret	1/11/99	passed away 2/25/22

My father grew up as a farmer boy and didn't get much schooling, and it may not have been his fault or a choice of his as the Civil War freed the colored man when he was a boy 7 or 8 yrears old which, no doubt, put him in the field to help make ends meet. My Daddy was what I would call a bootstrap individual and lifted himself up by his own bootstraps, so to speak, and made his way through the world, like many others before him had done, without any education to speak of.

His father became a member of the Board of Supervisors of Franklin County when I was a small boy, perhaps even before I was born, and remained in that office until he passed away. My father later entered politics, in a local way, not long after he married, and I imagine he got the inspiration from his father. As a starter he became Justice of the Peace of the Roxie District, which took in a large area of the western part of the county. I really think that my mother thought it was an excuse to be in Roxie with the boys and often voiced her disapproval of the set-up on many occasions when he would be late, sometimes after dark, coming in.

When his father passed away, leaving the office of Supervisor of District One vacant, my father ran for the office and was elected and in course of time became President of the Board. He, too, was re-elected from term to term until he passed away but did serve as Chancery Clerk a short period of time in between.

I well remember the evening Bill and I were returning home after school was out at Rosedale and met a darkey standing on the path near his cabin. He said, "Boys, you better hurry home. Your Daddy shot a man today." We doubted the story but did trot most of the way home. The story proved to be true. What happened and what caused it is a long story.

Several times I had heard my Daddy speak about a guy mistreating his father, and when it reached the point where my Daddy thought it was deliberate persecution, he decided to do something about it.

One day he confronted the guy and a fight ensued. Jim Wentworth (Uncle Jim as we called him) jumped in between the two men to stop it just as my Daddy pulled the trigger of his pistol and got shot himself. Luckily the bullet hit Uncle Jim in the groin, and he soon recovered.

After that encounter there was no further mistreatment nor further trouble. I don't believe there was any one in the county nor anywhere else who could truthfully say that my Daddy or his father had ever mistreated his fellowman. He resorted to violence in that instance because the provocations were intolerable.

Years after that a bunch of us, Uncle Jim (Jim Wentworth), my Daddy, Uncle Johnnie, John Seale and I went on a fishing expedition and camped near the Courtland Ferry on the Homochitto River. One evening Uncle Jim, as we called him, decided to take a swim, and after swimming and diving some time all of a sudden my Daddy plunged head first into the river, followed by Uncle Johnnie and John Seale, in rapid succession. I ran and found a long pole and pulled them out of the current where they were bunched struggling to get out with Uncle Jim and pulled them on to the bank. After the water was forced out of his lungs, Uncle Jim regained consciousness and soon recovered. My Daddy had seen the face of a drowning man before and knew that Uncle Jim was going down for the last time. The impulse to get a pole came to me like a flash, and I've often thought about the incident and wondered what would have happened if I had jumped in, too, instead of getting the pole. All may have drowned.

When Uncle Jim became old and unable to work much, there were times when he was without funds and his family needed groceries. My Daddy would send over a supply to them. All of us at home did not understand why our Daddy did that when there were so many mouths to be fed at home. I know now why he did it. Uncle Jim had jumped in between my Daddy and another man in a fight and saved a man's life. My Daddy had jumped into the Homochitto River to save Uncle Jim's life and had helped him again when in need.

Say what you will, there is a compensation law -- what you do for your fellowman, when done unselfishly, comes back to you in some way.

While serving as Justice of the Peace he learned a lot about the law and stored up enough of it in his mind to be able to write any kind of a legal instrument that the people wanted from time to time. His talent in this respect was in demand all over the western part of the county. He also learned a lot about political fence building and the mending of them during that time which served him in good stead later on.

One time I asked my Daddy if he thought his political enemies ever overlooked anything dirty to say about him just before an election, and he said: "I doubt it" but admonished me to not say anything about any false accusations made against him because it might antagonise them and make it more difficult for him to bring them in line. What I had in mind when I mentioned it was a recent report in circulation that one day he was seen emerging from a hayloft near Roxie loaded to the gills. Despite the many false accusations made against him, calculated to destroy him politically, he always came out victorious.

Not long after an election he would be seen horsebacking his way to the home of a voter out of line and after an hour or so visit, during which time everything under the sun would be discussed, he would rise to his feet, take the guy's hand, and say, "By George, old fellow, if there is anything I can do for you, you just let me know", and it wouldn't be long before a road nearby would be regraveled or something of the sort done, and it often happened that the guy would support him after that.

It was the application of this political wisdom -- do for others, or rather do unto others as you would have others do unto you, plus a good performance as Supervisor that enabled him to remain in office until he passed away.

The fact that I never did acquire the cigarette habit, and for the most part followed the wisdom of moderation in all things which came to me from my parents in the way of advice, is the main reason, I think, why I am still around at 85.

Many times my Daddy admonished us not to take up the cigarette habit for if we did we would die of consumption before we reached 35 years of age, and to stay away from the turf and the ponies and the gambling tables for they were highly contagious and often made bums out of their victims.

I remember one time after supper while out on the front porch he gave us some fatherly advice about the dangers in the use of 'corn' and Bill said, "Papa, you don't practice what you preach," and to our astonishment he came up with: "Don't do as I do but do what I tell you." He must have originated this phrase for I never had heard those words used in that combination.

He relied on hard work and admonition to keep us in line, and as it has been said, idleness is a tool of the devil, he probably had something there.

I owed much to him and our mother, for without their advice and admonition, I may have become a cigarette smoker and died early in life, or a gambler, or an alcoholic and gone down as a tramp.

We boys learned that our Daddy always kept a step or two ahead of bad weather that shut down field operations. He would come up with a project for us to handle to keep us busy such as building wire fences to replace old rail fences or add to the wood supply by cutting down trees, chopping and sawing them for both fireplace and cook stove, or cut down pine bushes and other growth threatening the grass supply in the pastures. The only thing that I can think of that is as relentless in conquest as the forest are the Communists, but the forest wages it's battles with man because it wants back what man has taken away from her, thwarted in it's efforts only until exploitation ends or until death steps in and stills the hand of man. Whereas the Communists are just as relentless in their determination to conquer the free world, but it's without justification, and they resort to deception, intrigue, revolution, and murder, if necessary, to accomplish their aims.

When my Daddy married, most of the land was covered by a primitive forest which could be bought cheap. Realizing that a man's status in the community was measured by how many acres he owned, he got busy and didn't rest until he accumulated close to a thousand acres, including the tract that my mother's mother gave her, presumably a wedding gift, along with a bunch of gold, some of which my mother had when she passed away. How she managed to hold onto some of it that long is a mystery to me, when, as a matter of fact, my Daddy was often seen standing near the old 6 or 7 foot wardrobe trying to borrow some of it when she opened it to get some kind of a garment.

My Daddy liked to fish and encouraged us to fish and hunt. When Bill and I got big enough to be helpful, and not a liability on a fishing trip, he would take us to the Homochitto River every spring on a catfish expedition. As soon as we would arrive on the river we would select a suitable place to camp and gather a wood supply. Then we would head for a bayou or a lake to catch bait. I remember one time Bill and I and Jim Wentworth, whom we called Uncle Jim, were called on to catch the bait. After fishing for an hour or more, without any results or even a bite, Uncle Jim lost his patience and let loose a fusillade of cuss words at the fish because they would not bite, and, you know, soon after that they began biting, and we caught all we needed. That was a strange

thing to me, and I have often thought about it. After solving the bait problem, a trot line, sometimes two, would be put over a favorable spot of water, then hooks would be tied to snags here and there and to limbs hanging over the river. Cane poles would be used to set hooks in good looking spots from the bank.

Fishing involved a lot of hard work, and when fish were not in a biting mood and our efforts met with failure, we would debate whether the pleasure of fishing was worth the price we paid in hard work. But when the fish were biting, and we were able to fill up on freshly caught and freshly fried fish on the bank of a river or lake, the thought of hard work didn't enter our minds; in fact, when we had good luck, we felt that this type of fishing was the ultimate in pleasure, and we would look forward to these trips with boyish delight. I've been an outdoor enthusiast and nature lover ever since my boyhood, and I believe this fact and the many trips to the Homochitto is the reason why I have an insatiable appetite for fishing which time hasn't been able to eradicate or even lower to any degree.

It would be expected of a son to say that his mother was the best mother in the world, so I'll put it this way -- No mother ever spent more of her time at home in meeting the needs of her family than she did. Her table was always a delight to get to. She not only prepared and cooked the food which was always tasty and ample in supply and variety but she saw that the garden came up to expectations and often worked in it to make sure there wouldn't be any shortage.

When I look back and think about those days a chilling and grievous sense of sadness sweeps over me for I feel she made too much of a sacrifice for us, and we should have done something to lighten her burden, especially during the last few years of her life. How she cooked, darned, patched, mended, washed, ironed, worked in the garden, gave life to eight children and met their needs and had time to read the Bible, which she was often seen doing, with the few home facilities in those days, was then, and still is, a mystery to me.

Although her background was Catholic (having attended a Catholic school at Natchez, and her mother a Catholic and a devout one), she became a Baptist and united, along with my Daddy, with the Union Baptist Church of Franklin County. I think she felt as I do, that salvation can be secured in any church if the individual meets the conditions laid down by the great Gallilean; but, while the church is indispensable as a support and compass to point the way, it is not a vehicle to get us to and through the pearly gates into the great beyond. I think one of the most important things our parents did for us, was to have all of us come into the church before we left home.

Our mother's mother, Maria Helena Nienaber, migrated to this country from Oldenburg, Prussia (now Germany) and according to tradition, Joseph Seabachorline, later changed to Joseph Seab, also came from Oldenburg and knew Marie before they migrated to this country. Anyway, Joseph ran away from home leaving behind all that he would have inherited, stowed away on a ship bound for New York and soon after arrival there went to work on a railroad as a track worker. As soon as he had accumulated enough money to buy a wagon and team and a stock of merchandise, he became a peddler and peddled all over the United States, winding up at Natchez. In 1845 he married Marie Helena Nienaber. Some one advanced the notion that Joseph was a German Jew, as most immigrant Jews in those days soon became peddlers after arriving in this country. Anyway, when I learned about this history from one of his descendants (Mildred Seab Ezell), I made a hurried

trip over to see Myrtle (my sister) and asked her if she knew she was part Jew, and we had a stomach-shaking laugh over it.

Joseph, naturalized under the name of Seab, cutting off nine letters and I don't blame him for changing his name. Anyway, after he married, I would say that he realized that the peddler business while profitable as he had squirreled away a lot of gold was not compatible with married life, and for this reason I would say, the idea was jettisoned; but he didn't give up the idea of selling things in other ways. I imagine he soon left Natchez with his bride and drove over into Franklin County as he homesteaded a place which adjoined the Natchez-Meadville road and located about 3 miles east of what was to become the town of Roxie. He built what I would call a combination of home and store, but it looked only like a home from all angles. The store part of the structure was half below the surface of the ground and half above the surface, with the home on top which put the front porch high above the ground giving it an imposing look.

He filled the store with goods and was back in business like a Jew does after he accumulates a stake peddling and then changes his status by becoming a merchant. Joseph prospered as a farmer and merchant and became well-to-do. He was not only productive as a farmer and merchant but made quite a contribution to what is now threatening to become a population explosion. If there were any children in excess of nine (4 boys and 5 girls) I don't know about them but do know that all of the nine children grew up to be fine citizens that perhaps could not be matched anywhere and were revered by all who knew them.

I once heard a guy who had lived in Franklin County and knew all of the feudists as well as the good people of the county, say that only a few Franklin County people were in heaven and Joe Seab was one of them. I say this: If Joe is up there, all of the other eight are too, for they were just as good, if not better.

I do not mean to insinuate that Joseph, my grandfather on my mother's side of the family, was a Jew; but he did follow the Jew line after he got to the United States until he went to farming. When he became a farmer that cleared him, in my opinion, as all of the Jews I've known never farmed or worked on a farm or dug ditches or helped build and maintain railroads or do any kind of hard work.

The old home has held up well against the attrition of time and looks much like it did when I first saw it as a small boy close to 80 years ago.

Joseph Seab was born December 26, 1809. All records show that he was born in Prussia; and it is thought that his birthplace was Oldenburg or somewhere close around there as he knew Marie Helena Nienaber before he left Prussia. He passed away at his home in Franklin County at the age of 63 on August 17, 1872.

Marie Helena Seab was born September 18, 1822, in Oldenburg, Germany and passed away at the age of 79 on September 3, 1901.

Both were laid to rest in the family burial grounds located 1 1/2 miles east of the Seab home just off the Meadville Road on the north side.

Willie Lamar Graves and family, written by a brother, John, who followed his birth 2 years later and grew up together, played together, sometimes fought, roamed the woods, hunted squirrel by day, possums and coon by night, hunted birds with blow-guns, fished the streams and lakes, played baseball, stole watermelons, sugarcane, and did other things together, too numeroud to mention.

Willie Lamar Graves, son of William Henry and Helena M. Graves, was born on the Graves farm, 3 miles southeast of the town of Roxie in Franklin County, Mississippi, in 1881, and passed away at the age of 67 in 1948.

Willie married Miss Jeffie Coventry Roark at San Antonio, Texas, July 6, 1910. Jeffie was born November 13, 1886, and passed away at the age of 78 March 3, 1964.

Both were laid to rest in the cemetery at Baton Rouge, La.

Six children were born to them and are enumerated below:

1- Willie Lamar Jr.	Born	April 14, 1911
2- Frank Roark		August 10, 1912
3- Henry Elton		September 20, 1914
4- David Waldo		September 30, 1923
5- Lois Coventry		November 1, 1926
6- Born premature--no name given		

Bill, as he was called by us and those who knew him well, was the oldest and most robust of the whole lot of us. He didn't get much schooling, like his Daddy, and the other children following him. Now, as to whether it was a choice of his I am unable to say, but I do know that both of us were needed in the field to help make ends meet, and I know it was current thought that if a boy had anything in him, it would come out anyway. I know our Daddy didn't force us to go to school when we were big enough to handle an axe, shovel or hoe. Two thirds of the country was covered by a primitive forest and we loved to roam the woods, and like little savages kill things both edible and unedible. We loved to fish the streams and lakes which were teeming with fish in those days and liked swimming as much as a duck which is as much to say -- he couldn't resist all of that and abandoned the school.

History is full of stories about men who lifted themselves up by their own bootstraps and got rich without much education. Why couldn't he do the same and make his way through the world, too, on what schooling he had; but later on in life, we came to realize that technology had changed the situation and that without an education we found oursleves greatly handicapped.

Bill and I worked hard on the farm for ten years or more; and as soon as a harvest was over we would be sent to the woods to clear more land, to replace worn out land turned to pasturage or put more land into cultivation to increase production or to build wire fences to replace obsolete rail fence or cut wood for both fireplaces and cook stove and cord it up to dry and be free of rot until used. When we finished a project our Daddy always came up with another for us to handle to keep us busy, and as I mentioned in my Daddy's biography, idleness is a tool of the Devil, besides, he thought that if he didn't keep us busy and build the work habit into us, we might not ever work after we left home and become bums.

If my memory serves me correctly, I was 18 and Bill 20 when we decided the work-habit that our Daddy had prescribed for us and put into practice had been completed and that hard work on the farm, raising five cent cotton (the same the Chinese coolie got for his) was not for us. We didn't want to be a follower of the mule anyhow but as to how we could liberate ourselves from the mule and plow perplexed us for some time.

One Sunday Bill and I went to Roxie using our legs and feet to get there. After taking a good look around town we wound up at the depot, like most of the town folks did, as well as many from the surrounding country, to see the Cannon Ball come in, an attraction in those days comparative to a fourth of July celebration with it's barrels of pink lemonade, the drink called pop, popcorn, bootleg and sometimes fights or a baseball game.

After the train and crowd departed, Bill and I sidled up near the bay window where the telegraph instruments could be seen and heard clicking away. I said to Bill, "I wonder what those things are sayin'," and he said, "I wonder where it's comin' from." The thought of that aroused a strong desire in us to unravel this mystery and the fact that we were looking for some way to liberate ourselves from hard work on the farm, the idea to do something about it soon jelled in our minds. As soon as I could find out where I could get a beginners' telegraph outfit, I ordered it, and we began study of the telegraph, followed later on by Henry and Judge (two younger brothers) and as soon as we reached the point where we could transmit and receive the Morse code by way of the key to the extent that we could carry on a conversation, we soon entered the service of the Y&MV.

Bill worked at many stations, Russum, Stanton, Rosetta, Knoxville, McNair, Wilson, Lorman and St. Gabriel, presumably looking for the ideal spot which seemed to have eluded him, unless it was St. Gabriel which he hopped on to like a cat going for a mouse when it came up for bid and remained there until he became eligible to retire on full pension. The main and perhaps the only reason he bid in St. Gabriel was the fact that he and his family wanted to get as near to LSU at Baton Rouge as possible so that their children would have the opportunity to get a college education. He and his wife purchased some acreage in the outskirts of Baton Rouge which had a home on it, and he moved his family to Baton Rouge, commuting to and from St. Gabriel to handle his job.

He and his wife held onto this acreage and passed it on to their five children, and the children held onto it intact until it (Bill's nestegg, he called it) hatched out big and have sold five lots from it at a fabulous price; in fact, enough to build each one a STATUS home, and they still have the most valuable part of it which is up for sale and will bring in a large sum of money.

Some people would say it's good luck when a thing like that happens, but I say it was due to rare foresight and good judgment on the part of Bill and his wife in not only buying the acreage but in holding onto it and equally so by the children in holding it intact as long as they have. Most children under the same circumstances would have demanded their share, and it would have been broken up and sold at a much lower price.

Bill was glad when he reached 65 and was eligible to retire on full pension. He didn't like those so-called efficiency squirts sent out of Chicago to tell him how to run a station and snoop on him looking for something to turn in against him. It galled and irritated him. Once in a while a train would slip up on him before he could clear the semephore signal, and the trainmen would become

bellicose and sometimes insulting, and there were times that they would turn him in and demerits would be levied against his record which irritated and worried him. He told me that he had enough of it and was glad to turn the job back to them.

I was two years younger than Bill and in addition to this he was built like a pugilist and was as strong as a Texas steer. When we got into a scrap, he would soon knock me down for the count.

I remember the time when we got into a brawl as we were climbing over a high rail fence. He was boiling and when he alighted from the fence, and when my feet hit the ground, he turned loose a fusillade of blows that sent me down. When I got up, he sent me down again for the count. That encounter convinced me that I was no match for him and resolved to use a club after that.

One day I was trying to fit a tongue to a boy wagon I had built when we had another run-in. When he drew back to hit me, I let go the tongue, but he warded off the blow. At this juncture our Daddy intervened, and while he was giving Bill a good thrashing which caused Bill to yell out like a stuck pig, I escaped to the woods, never so frightened until later on. While sitting on a log, deep down in a hollow looking up at a bird singing, shaking with fear of the Devil (which old Cora, our nurse, had pumped into us), my Daddy who had cautiously slipped up on me, grabbed me from behind. I was so frightened and was trembling so that my Daddy didn't whip me.

After that episode Bill and I became less explosive and managed to avoid any further conflicts of that kind and got along fine most of the time. As the years slipped by we became closer and closer exchanging letters regularly and visiting as often as we could up to the time of his passing.

We had an adventurous and exciting boyhood together, and John Q. Graves (son of Jim Graves) played a great part in making it so. John Q. was a great hunter and could outwit any animal that roamed the woods or lived in the trees, not only that, he could train dogs like professionals could to hunt coon when he wanted them to or hunt possum by night and squirrel or rabbit during the day. Whatever he wanted them to hunt, he knew how to get them to do it and always had plenty of dogs to hunt with. In all probability Bill and I would have missed a lot of excitement and adventure in hunting and fishing if it had not been for John Q. who during the fall and winter would be at our home Saturday evening or we would be at his home Saturday evening which always meant a squirrel, bird, or rabbit hunt that evening and a coon or possum hunt that night. In those days two thirds of the forest was in a primitive state and game was plentiful. Bill and I seldom ever missed an opportunity to hunt with him and his dog "Plez", a big dog that bounded through the woods so fast and treed so fast that we could hardly keep up with him from tree to tree. When I see a tree of any size, I think of the many large trees we cut down to get coons. What a waste of timber but no one thought anything about it because timber had little value in those days.

John Q. had an insatiable appetite for hunting, and sometimes he would hunt alone when he failed to find someone to go with him. When his dog treed a possum in a sink hole, he would excavate a whole hillside to get a possum, if necessary, to prove the infalibility of his dog. I don't think that any Indian ever excelled John Q. as a hunter or knew any more about the habits of wildlife and how to outwit it than John Q. One time Bill and I were on a squirrel hunt with him when there was a heavy overcast; in fact, there had been a shower or two and after an hour or more hunt over the woods, his dogs had failed to pick up a trail; and he decided to do the hunting himself. He climbed

to an elevated spot and after surveying the woods all around him, said, "Boys, I see a squirrel's den", and you know, by beating on the trunk of that dead tree we ran out and killed three squirrels to take home for the frying pan. I've often thought about this incident and have wondered if he had an occult type of mind and could foretell things.

One year, when small boys, Bill and I attended school at Whiteapple, which was five miles south of where we lived, and we had to walk it both ways but thought nothing about it. As I said, I was a young boy, around 8 or 9 years old and my memory is not clear on but two things that I can come up with. Both will reveal traits in Bill's character that I always admired. Padler Collier, a boy around Bill's age, who lived about 3 miles up the creek, occasionally walked along with us. After school was out on our way home, all of a sudden Padler challenged Bill to box with him. Bill told Padler that he didn't want to hurt him, and Padler began punching him anyway. Bill came back with a rain of blows that stunned Padler, and the old boy backed away. After that encounter, Padler never challenged him again, nor walked along with us again.

Years after that, perhaps 30 years after that, Padler had to shoot Carl Middleton, whom I knew well, to protect himself so I heard. If I knew who was to blame, it wouldn't be the thing for me to say who was to blame. It wasn't too long after that before Padler drooped and bowed to the grim reaper and passed on.

The next year Bill and I attended school at Rosedale which had been built the previous year. It was located in a pine thicket just off the Meadville road about 1 1/2 miles east of the Seab place. It wasn't long before Bill Davis challenged Bill. Bill told him the same thing as Padler, that he didn't want to hurt him, and Bill Davis went after him anyway. It wasn't long before Bill Davis got enough, and backed away. After that encounter Bill Davis let him alone.

If my memory hasn't failed me, May Seab was our teacher. Bill and I thought she was the nicest teacher we had seen. I am sorry to say May succumbed to the grim reaper and passed away several years ago. She was up in the 90s.

Bill Davis became a railroad man and was agent at Roxie for a long time, and I am sorry to say he also bowed to TIME and passed away years ago.

Despite the fact that Bill had a cross eye, he was a crack shot with a rifle and often took it along when we went squirrel hunting to bag game beyond shotgun reach or when we failed to bag one hidden behind a limb. I remember the time when our dog treed an old fox squirrel up a big pine tree. He was so well hidden behind a limb that only the tip end of his tail could be seen, and although we used all of our know-how, in the way of noise, including four or five shotgun blasts at the limb where he was hidden, he would not budge. Bill said "Stand back, boys, and let me put a bullet through that limb", and you know, that's what he did and the wise old strategist of the squirrel specie turned loose and tumbled down.

William Henry Graves, Jr., son of William Henry Graves, Sr., and Helena M. Graves was born October 17, 1885, out on the Graves farm 3 miles southeast of the town of Roxie, in Franklin County, Mississippi and expired on September 2, 1955, at Charleston, Miss. and was laid to rest in the cemetery there. His wife Ruth, daughters Charlotte, Phoebe and son Jack survived him.

Henry, like Bill and John before him, didn't get much schooling. Besides, Henry was needed on the farm or in the field to help make ends meet.

In his early boyhood, Henry was a chunky, robust boy up to the time he became victim of typhoid fever, and before he recovered from that, pneumonia seized him, causing a lingering illness that almost took his life and although he recovered from those two killers he was never a robust boy afterwards, and I believe his heart was damaged which may have ultimately caused his death.

Now, as to whether John stirred up discontent in Henry when he (John) liberated himself from the mule and plow by getting into the railroad game is a moot question and can not be answered but apparently Henry didn't wish to be a follower of the mule and plow any more than John did; and as Mississippi was mostly agricultural and had no industries to speak of except the railroads, he probably felt that he had no alternative but to get into the railroad game, too.

Anyway, he proved himself and the world about him that he, too, could lift himself up by his bootstraps and make his way through the world.

Before I left home, Henry had helped me in the study of the telegraph by transmitting the code to me with another instrument from another room and in a year or so after that, he resumed the study of it and soon entered the service of the Y&MV.

In 1907 I was working for the Southern Pacific at El Paso when Henry got travel fever and came out to El Paso. I spoke to the chief about him and he put him on the extra board and sent him to historical Langtry (just west of the Pecos River) to relieve a guy for 30 days. Decades before that Lilly Langtry, a theatrical star and beauty from New York was on her way to California via Southern Pacific, and her train was sidetracked there for many hours because of a freight train wreck west of there, and while delayed there she put on a show for the townfolks, and they honored her by naming the town Langtry.

The town was given another boost in fame by Judge Roy Bean who immortalized himself and the town when he became famous as the "law west of the Pecos" which resulted from a trial of a chinaman. The Judge had read the law books from cover to cover and had failed to find where it said anything about a chinaman and he had to find him guilty as charged.

The town was given another boost in fame by Zane Grey, the great novelist, who used Langtry and the surrounding country west of the Pecos as a background for one of his great novels. I remember that the Supt. of the Southern Pacific allowed Grey to use his private railroad car while he was down there getting what he wanted.

When the regular assigned man returned, Henry came back to El Paso to wait until needed again. Henry told me that the country down there was not only wild looking but had a lot of wild things in it, and I told him what Robert Murphy, a good friend to mine, told me about what happened at Langtry when he worked there a few years before that. He said a bunch of cowboys came to town late one night, and took over the waiting room in which to stage a party. Along about two a.m. they began firing their pistols. He said he didn't know what was going on and didn't stop running to find out. Later on he found out that they were practicing the quick draw shooting each time they drew. He said the upper walls were riddled with bullets.

A short time after Henry got back to El Paso, the Chief asked him if he could run a pumping plant and Henry told him that he had never fired a boiler in his life but thought he could soon learn how, and I told Henry that anybody who had followed a mule as long as we did could soon learn how to run a pumping plant. The chief told him that the job he had in mind was a double-barrelled job, telegrapher and pumper, and he sent him to Hot Wells for ten days and after that he sent him to Marathon where he worked until the regular assigned man returned to work. Then, one of the worst economic slumps hit the business world, almost paralyzing it, even causing the banks to use "SCRIP" to cash pay checks. Money seemed to have evaporated, and the railroads had to reduce their forces, cutting off many employees, and Henry was one of the first to get the axe.

Our Daddy had been after Henry to come back home and help him make a crop, and Henry bowed to his wishes and went back home, which was a magnanimous thing for him to do. I have thought a number of times about what would have happened to Henry's destiny if there hadn't been a severe depression nor had been any need for him to return home and he had remained with the Southern Pacific as I did, would he have married out there and raised a different family? In his case a bad break turned into a blessing and who knows but what fate, in some mysterious way, had a hand in this. I believe what we are to a great extent is because of the thoughts we've thought and the things we've done, and I believe that circumstances arise in our lives over which we have no control play a great part in shaping our destiny, and it seems to have been true in Henry's case.

After helping his father raise and harvest a crop he re-entered the service of the Y&MV and in time wound up in the Delta country, where Judge later migrated to and where both express and ticket commissions were good. It has been said that the Jew when in migration looking for a spot to exercise his skill as a trader and get ahead, he comes down to a landing when a rich country like the Delta comes in view, and this must be so as there are many rich Jews in the Delta country. Henry and Judge knew about this and went to where the money is.

I came back east in 1908 and went to work for the I.G. at Memphis in their Poplar Street station. Henry was working at Clarksdale at the time, and occasionally I would get over on the local wires and clear the hooks of any messages we had for points south on the Y&MV. One day we had an accumulation of messages for Clarksdale that had been delayed by wire trouble, and I said to myself "This is the time to test the guy out and see if he can take it." I had good arm speed, and I poured it on him, and, you know, he didn't open the key until I had finished and then only to say OK.

After working at various places on the Memphis Division he bid in Marigold agency, settled down, married, built a home and remained there for a long time or until his health began to fail him. To lighten his work load he bid in Charleston agency where he remained until his death.

I lost my wife in 1947 and most every spring after that I would show up in Memphis, and about the first thing I would do after my arrival I would go around to the office where I had worked years before and call Henry over the telegraph wire to let him know in time to have his fishing gear ready. One time I called him and said, "This is the superintendent talking" and asked him how many bales of cotton moved from his station the previous year, but I could not disguise my key style, and here is what he said, "When are you coming down?"

We enjoyed many trips together in quest of the finnytribe, and I am here to tell you that when a fishing excursion ended he would be ahead in number caught most every time. We boys grew up on a stream teeming with fish and acquired an insatiable appetite for the Isaac Walton sport, and I don't believe that time, nor circumstances ever lessened that desire in Henry. In fact, the evening before he passed away he had loaded his fishing gear and other paraphernalia into his Buick so he could get moving to fishing ground without delay the next morning. The thought of this saddened me. Death had stepped in and denied him another day's pleasure on the lake. It wasn't fishing alone that brought Henry to the lake or stream. He was a God-loving man and perhaps felt a nearness while in the lap of nature than anywhere else. He was a devout church man, supported it financially, attended it regularly and worked in it and saw that his children were well grounded spiritually before they left home to face a world full of snares set everywhere, and since that time has added the Communist.

In writing a biographical story about a brother it would be expected of me to write only in a commendable way about Henry, and I would trust those who knew him to do that but will say this, if he ever made an enemy, no one ever heard about it.

One time while on a visit with him at Charleston we were at the depot and Myles, his cashier, brought in a hobo dog. It was in the potbellied stove era, and Henry had it going full blast, and it was red all around the middle for it was cold outside. The dog chilled by the cold outside stretched himself out near the stove for a much needed rest and sleep. It wasn't long before a terrible odor began to build up, something approximate that of a buzzard's roost, and Henry turned to me and said, "John, let's take a walk." When we got outside, Henry said, "If I had put that dog outside in the cold Myles would have disliked me from then on," and rather than hurt his feelings he suggested that we go out. Well, soon after we returned Myles took the dog to his kennel.

One day Myles called me over to his desk. I had thought that the pictures upright on his desk were of his family. He said, "Mr. Graves, the dog in this picture died in Detroit," and then he unfolded the whole story saying that the dog in the picture had gotten sick, and the veternarian doctor here had failed to cure him, so he sent him to a renowned doctor in Detroit. This doctor after treating the dog for some time wrote Myles that the dog had failed to respond to his treatment. Myles called the doctor by phone and asked him to bring the dog to the phone, that he wished to talk to him, and the doctor said the dog seemed to improve some after that. Later the dog became worse and died, and Myles said he sent $35 to the doctor to have him buried there. I thought all of this was very unusual and wondered if he had shown the same humanitarianism toward his kind. If not, it was indeed strange, but I must say he was the good samaritan in saving a dog from being shot by the night watchman and in bringing him in from the cold.

It was a great shock to me when Jack called by telephone to tell me of Henry's death. I had resolved not to ever go up in an airplane, but when I got this sad news, I took the first plane out for Memphis to be with him for the last time.

I remarked to a number on the porch of his home that Henry's character combined the finest qualities of both the Seab and Graves strain. I'll go further in saying that if both families had any bad traits in them, heredity didn't pass any of them on to Henry.

Leslie Graves. Leslie, son of W. H. and H. M. Graves was born out at the Graves farm 3 miles southeast of Roxie in Franklin County, Mississippi, in the year of 1888 and passed away at the age of 7 in 1895.

Leslie by far was the best looking one of the bunch and unfortunately met with accidental death at the age of 7.

He was on a seesaw that we had erected in the front yard. It consisted of several large blocks and a long heavy pole, and in some way, he lost his balance, and I suppose the pole fell on top of him killing him almost instantly.

I've thought about this many times and wondered how come he had to lose his life, in perhaps his first fall, when, as a matter of fact, I've gone through four different runaways during the mule and horse period, and in each instance I had such a narrow escape that I thought it a miracle that I escaped death. In addition to these narrow escapes, I'll mention two other instances. One time another deer hunter and I were on horseback half way up the Eagle Mountains in west Texas looking for a deer that had topped out on a rise and disappeared when my horse slipped down on a rock surface hurling me 20 or 30 feet down the mountainside into a big bunch of cactus. I felt and looked like I had collided with a porcupine, a miraculous escape but otherwise only bruised up. One time my wife and I took a drive down on the Rio Grande River, bordering old Mexico, and in passing through a sparsely populated area, we were attacked by three Mexican bandits and again I miraculously escaped, but shots were exchanged and one of the Mexicans had to take home with him a load of bird shot.

It looks like I have been providentially saved for some definite purpose, and I haven't sense enough to know what it is. Maybe the good Lord wanted me to have the chance to write the biography of my folks. If so, it took me a long time to make up my mind to attempt it.

Benjamin Franklin Graves. Benjamin Franklin Graves was born in the old home out on the Graves farm located east of the town of Roxie in Franklin County, Mississippi on March 18th, 1890. Frank passed away in Greenwood, Mississippi, his home town, at the age of 81 on October 31st, 1971. On October 27th, 1912, he married Miss Mary Savoy Hullum, in the home of her cousin, Mrs. Nettie Lee Pentecost, at Ruleville, Mississippi. Mary was born on March 13th, 1891 and passed away on October 27th, 1951. Mary was a twin. Miss Rebecca Janie Hullum was her twin sister.

Frank and Mary's children:

Charles Franklin	Aug 14 1913	Passed away Sep 28 1913
Robert Edwin	Nov 25 1914	Passed away Mar 19 1915
Mary Helen	Aug 17 1917	
Janie Ruth (twin)	Feb 20 1921	Passed away Oct 02 1924
Rebecca Catherine	Feb 20, 1921	

What I know about Frank's boyhood and adult life is only a fragment of what it was, as I left home when Frank was only a boy of 13 years, and didn't root down until I had wandered over a thousand miles away, where I remained until 1962. But I did come home occasionally to visit the family. Since I've written some facts about the deceased members of the family, I feel that I should come up with something memorable about Frank's life, or at least try to.

After we three older boys left home Frank found himself on the place without boy companionship, and he soon learned that hunting and fishing or anything else didn't provide much fun, if any, without boy companionship and, of course, he didn't get hooked on those sports like we did. But there were times when he could be seen with gun on his shoulder and his squirrel dog trotting along with him on their way to the woods, and in the spring he was occasionally seen standing on the bank of a creek, with fishing pole in his hands, and his eyes on the cork, but he could not put any heart into it without companionship, and if the fish were not biting good he would go back home, and in early spring when he didn't have anything else to do he would go sit behind the south side of the house in the warm sun and watch bumble bees soar, then plunge downward, coming to a poise in midair, and occasionally he would knock one down with a board to see if he was quick enough to get it. And in those lonely moments he would think of the boys in Roxie, and as soon as he could, off he would go there to join them. On weekends he was often seen on his way, afoot, to Roxie, occasionally throwing a rock at a tree as he passed along the road, to strengthen his arm and improve his throwing capability so he could beat the boys at Roxie in throwing things, both in the woods and on the streams. Our mother often voiced the fear that he would be misled by those Roxie boys, and get into some devilment, as she put it. But our father didn't share this fear with her. Instead, he thought that the boys would help educate him, and he must have had something there because Frank did have more poise, and was more sophisticated than his brother were at this age. Anyway, I say this, our father was in politics most of his life, and did lay around Roxie a lot, and I imagine Frank reasoned that if he didn't get contaminated by the boys, why should he get contaminated by the Roxie environment. But I do think that our mother was justified in voicing her anxiety about the boy as many a country boy has been contaminated in just such a way.

Well, the facts are that Frank wasn't contaminated by the Roxie environment and developed into the man Mr. Cranwell, his son-in-law, said he did. I quote - "He was a man of much character and high principles." And the fact that he and his wife raised two fine daughters, educated them, both intellectually and spiritually, and didn't let them down when children need parental guidance, and the fact that he was a faithful member of the Masonic Lodge for more than fifty years are good examples of his character. Both daughters were very lucky in marriage, and each got a good husband. And these gentlemen were very lucky too, or should I say all four used good judgement.

Frank had it much easier on the farm than his older brothers did. After we left home, there was no more land to be cleared and put into cultivation. And shortly after we left home the boll weavil invaded Rranklin County, and my father, rather than battle it out with this pest, discontinued the planting of cotton which cut the farm operation down to one third of what it had been. But that fact did not provide an incentive for Frank to stay on the farm and become a follower of the mule and plow. To liberate him from that possibility he began the study of the Morse telegraph code, and how to transmit it by way of the key like his three older brothers did.

Frank entered the service of the old Y&MV on January 19th, 1909, but resigned on August 10th, 1909, reason not given.

I'm not sure, but it's my impression that Frank was first assigned to the Redlick, Mississippi agency, located on what was then called the Little Jay, a branch line extending from Natchez to Jackson by way of Harriston, Miss., where it junctioned with the main line of the Y&MV. The only event occuring at Redlick, that I know of, while Frank was stationed there is what a guy told me, who knew Frank. He said that one evening Frank and he went for a walk and the path they were

on led them into a strip of woods. Suddenly Frank stopped and said "I hear voices." Then he slipped up close so he could hear what was going on. What he heard was what is called a bouncing domino game going on, or what darkeys and some whites call a crap game. They listened further and here is what they heard - "Come on little Joe, don't you let me down." Frank, so this guy said, got out his pistol and said "I'll put that bunch in flight", then he rushed up, firing into the ground, and all around them. This guy said that bunch went out of there like a bunch of Bob White suddenly flushed from a sage patch. I sure did laugh at that one.

Frank's service letters show that he migrated to Arkansas after he left the Y&MV the first time, and went to work for the Rock Island on September 27th, 1909, but ended his service with this railroad by resigning on Feburary 10th, 1910, no reason given. Then he returned to his native state and went back to work for the Y&MV again, on June 2nd, 1910, but resigned on Feburary 23rd, 1912, no reason given. He then migrated to New Mexico and reentered the service of the Rock Island on May 14th, 1912, no reason given. The reason for these migrations are unknown and I can only speculate on what motivated him. Could it be the same thing that causes a boy to climb a high wall, or fence, risking his life just to see what's on the other side? Or could it have been the same thing that causes a fisherman to rush up the creek from hole to hole looking for the spot where the big one's are, and winds up with no fish. And when he returned to Mississippi each time, was it because he couldn't stay away from Mississippi and the things he loved for any length of time? Or was it because he reached the conclusion that the Y&MV wasn't a bad railroad to work for after all, even if they did have some SOB's in the high echelons running it. I say that because Frank did resent their sending young squirts (called efficiency clerks) out of Chicago to check up on him, and try to tell him how to run a station.

After he got back home he reentered the service of the Y&MV again on August 12th and remained with them until he switched to the Staple Cotton Co-operative Association at Greenwood, Mississippi in 1924.

While Frank was working for the Y&MV (his last job with them) a few Delta guys, with both vision and capital, decided to solve a problem that had confronted the Delta farmer for decades, and at the same time make money for themselves.

When the cotton farmer harvested his crop, from year to year, the price of his product was always very low. In fact the Chinese Coolie got as much for his cotton, which ran around 5 to 8 cents per pound, and he was forced to sell his cotton at that time to keep his creditor off his back, and of course it was difficult for him to make ends meet. Anyway, these men organized the Staple Cotton Co-operative Assn. at Greenwood and built huge warehouses to store the farmer's cotton, and provided funds to advance to the farmers until a good price could be obtained, and thus do away with the speculator parasite that had been robbing them. That not only kept creditors off their backs but filled their pockets with dough, and that is what they have been doing ever since.

Frank, no doubt, thought this was a great humanitarian thing to do, and that he would like to become involved with an enterprise like that, so he applied for a job as accountant and got it. He remained with the Association for many years, but retired in 1948 because it was apparent to him that the responsibilities and work load was wearing him down, though he did get into the cotton brokerage business after that.

When Frank was on the job, he was strictly business, no foolishness. One day we were strolling around Greenwood and passed a young guy who Frank said used to work for the Association in the same office he worked in. Anyway, apparently this guy didn't see Frank, whether intentional or not, Frank didn't know, but said "That guy could have a reason for not seeing me, for one time he came up to me saying 'Skipper how should I handle this' (He had been coming to Frank for advice from time to time). Frank said he gave him the information wanted, but took hold of him, saying "Get this straight. The next time you call me Skipper you'll have me to whip or get whipped." Well, I laughed at that one too having seen Frank's looks when he was angered.

Frank was a skilled accountant, and when business men around Greenwood needed the services of an accountant, they called on him.

My sister Myrtle, her daughter Dora, Bill Graves, our nephew, and I attended Frank's funeral. And I wrote Mary Helen Cranwell, Frank's daughter, that Frank's death not only brought sadness to all there in the home, but brought an outpouring of love by all for all too.

After the funeral we drove through the residential area of Greenwood on our way back home, and as we were leaving the city I said "I can now understand why Frank and Mary rooted down in Greenwood to live, die, and be buried in." Most of the residential area is studded with large trees, with lush green tops that form a canopy over the area, which keeps the sun out in the summer, and perhaps lets it in in the winter if these trees are not evergreen. What a uniquely beautiful place to live in, it is.

Sicily Helena Graves. Sicily, daughter of W. H. and H. M. Graves was also born out at the Graves farm. She was born in 1892 and passed away at the age of 3 in 1895. There is very little left in my memory about this unfortunate little girl, but I do remember the time when she was seriously ill. One day while Bill and I were picking cotton on a hillside about a mile away from our home, Cora, who nursed all of us kids, came out to the field to break the sad news of her passing. Bill and I threw down our cotton sacks and hurried home. This child had membranous croup; and although everything known about in the way of medication was done, she strangled to death.

Both of these children were laid to rest in the cemetery at Union Baptist Church which is situated on the Roxie-Whiteapple road.

Myrtle Elizabeth Graves Nelson. This section was missing in the John S. Graves biographies and is supplied here by excerpts from "The Recollections of Myrtle Elizabeth Graves Nelson." Myrtle helped her mother with the housework and milked the cows. They washed clothes with a scrub-board and used a big iron pot out in the yard to boil the clothes. The water had to be drawn out of a cistern. Most of the time they had a black woman to do the washing and ironing. The cistern was very cool even in summer so it served as a refrigerator. Food could be kept cool by suspending it in buckets just above the water. A cold running spring was down the hill behind the house and it furnished delicious drinking water year-round. There were lots of chickens in the yard and plenty of pork, bacon, hams, and sausages in the smoke-house. A large garden, fruit and pecan trees furnished the family with ample vegetables, fruit and nuts even in winter with hundred of jars being canned for future use. From these days Myrtle acquired her love for flowers and enjoyment in raising a garden.

When Myrtle finished school in the eighth grade her father sent her and her sister Lena to Fort Gibson Female College at Fort Gibson, Mississippi. Myrtle took a teacher's course of one year. Lena also finished school there. Teacher's examinations were given at the Meadville Courthouse and there were always many there taking the examinations. Cousin Minnie Graves was there with Myrtle and assisted her as she was very intelligent. The authorities didn't mind in those days. Myrtle got her license to teach as did her sister Lena who also taught some before she became ill and passed away.

Myrtle then taught school in several places and met her husband-to-be Hamilton Burton Nelson while teaching in Meadville. He was a contractor and builder. He built several homes there, U.S. Congressman Dan McGehee's and John Hollinger's, and also assisted in building the high school and the courthouse. After school was out for the summer, Ham would drive out to the family home to see Myrtle. It was not too long before they decided to get married. The wedding took place at the family home on December 29, 1915. Ham had a job to build a school at Wesson, Mississippi. They stayed there until the job was completed. By this time business was so bad in the contractor's business that Ham decided to apply for a rural mail carrier's job in Roxie, Mississippi. He got the job, Route 2 out of Roxie toward Hamburg. Myrtle continued to teach.

They had two children, Dora Helena Nelson, born in Roxie on October 29, 1917 and Myrtle Ruth Nelson who was born in Roxie October 2, 1922. When Myrtle's mother became quite ill with cancer Myrtle brought her to her home to care for her. She stayed there until she died on October 13,1923. Then Myrtle's father came to live with them. Papa, as Myrtle called him, became very ill, possibly a result of grief over his wife's death, and needed constant care. Papa didn't live long and passed away September 5, 1924.

Ham decided to take his family west to visit Vera and John Graves in Sierra Blanca, Texas, not far from El Paso, and also Ham's brother, Fletcher in Trinidad, Colorado. Ham's brother Ed and his wife followed in their car. Ham had purchased a Model T Ford. They went without paved roads, highway signs or road maps. Only word-of-mouth got them there. They visited John and Vera first. John took them out in the desert and cooked a meal Indian style.

From Sierra Blanca, they went on to Colorado where they visited Pike's Peak, riding in a large open-top touring car. They also visited the Petrified Forest where they obtained rocks. From there to Carlsbad Caverns where they descended the caverns with torches, and Myrtle Ruth remembers her Uncle Ed carrying her most of the way. On the way back they stopped at a Navaho Reservation and watched Indian women weaving rugs and making pottery.

Ham was transferred to a mail route out of Natchez, Mississippi. At this time the route was the longest in the state of Mississippi and one of the longest in the United States. This was to his advantage as he was paid by the mile. They sold their home in Roxie to Cleve Seab. They first rented a house in Natchez on State Street on the bayou called the old Coche House. Tommy Graves and his family lived next door.

In those days farmers from the country brought fresh vegetables in each morning in time to cook for dinner and peddled them up and down the streets in their wagons. All were freshly picked and the peas and beans shelled. In the summer an ice cream wagon came down the street each day and all the children lined up for a nickle ice cream cone.

Ham carried on other businesses in addition to his mail route. At this time be became interested in radios and began repairing radios in his spare time. This interest led him to go into the coin machine business when he retired from his mail route, a business he was in when he died.

Several years after moving to Natchez, Ham and Myrtle bought ten acres of land from the Henry Hudnalls and started to build. Ham did the planning and construction of a large two-story brick home himself with little help. They moved in shortly before it was completed, and their son, Hamilton Burton Nelson, Jr., was born there on October 28, 1929. They did have electricity at this time but no gas so they had to use wood heaters and a wood range. Before long Ham installed an electric range and a Delco refrigerator. He also installed gas heaters, but they had to use butane gas as they lived about two miles from town.

Ham and Myrtle's youngest child, Betty Jean Nelson, was born August 7, 1933 at home. Myrtle allowed Dora and Myrtle Ruth to select her name. They were great movie star fans and collected pictures by the hundreds. Two of their favorites were Jean Harlow and Betty Davis, so this is how Betty Jean Nelson acquired her name.

Helena Margaret Graves. Lena Graves, daughter of William Henry, and Helena M. Graves was born in 1899 on the Graves farm 3 miles southeast of the town of Roxie in Franklin County, Mississippi and expired at the age of 23 in 1922.

I left home in 1903 to work on the Y&MV Railroad, at which time Lena was only 4 years old; and when I did return home, it was for only a short time, and, of course, there isn't much in memory that I could say about her girlhood. I do remember the time I came home from Memphis where I had been working a night shift for the I.G. Railroad and was behind on my sleep. (That was in 1909) and I told my mother not to awaken me in the mornings until I caught up on my sleep. Lena was 10 years old at the time. Anyway, most every morning when I got up Lena would be churning, dasher in one hand and a book in the other reading while she churned. The image of this pink cheeked, curly red-haired girl beaming with good health still remains vividly in my mind.

It would be expected of me to write only in commendable terms about my sister, so will let a portion of her diary speak for her.

I quote: "Myrtle came about 10 o'clock, brought some ice. Mr. Nelson did not come until later. We had ice cream that afternoon. I baked a cake today, something that I should not have done. Sunday is not the day to bake cakes. Lord, forgive me for it. I have not served thee this day as I should have. May I keep thy sabbath better and serve and trust thee more."

I quote: "I was reading an article in Ladies Home Journal this afternoon entitled, 'To her In The Garden Of Love'. It certainly was good. It was simply a talk for girls before they marry. He spoke of it as the great miracle. I wonder if the great miracle will descend on me. I wonder when, who will it be."

I quote: "Just one more week of school. So glad. I'm tired out, so are the children. Good night. Our father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us of our trespasses as we forgive

those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory. Amen."

I quote: "Oh, we have been having such pretty moonlight nights. The world is being bathed in a silver radiance. It always inspired in me a feeling of awe and reverence. To get out under the moon and stars, I'm sure in my soul that any soldier who has slept under them could ever say there isn't a GOD for the heaven and earth speak for themselves."

I quote what she wrote in her diary dated January 23, 1919: "The sun hasn't peeped at us for two days now, and we've had spells like this often this winter. I hate to go to school when it's like wading to get there. As the weather has been dismal so have the shadows been thrown over many, many hearts for the angel of death has been merciless this past year. The influenza has taken more lives than the war."

"I love to read Shakespere. It is uplifting, refining and educational. I hope I can read more of his books. I like Merchant of Venice better than any I've read yet."

"We've had lots of rain this week. Dark clouds come up most every day, lightning and thunderstorms followed. It has not cleared off yet but I hope it soon will. Good night, may GOD watch over us this night, and tomorrow may thy Sabbath be kept holy."

"Spring is here in all of its glory. Who can help being gay after the winter is gone, and the trees now so green and beautiful along my school road that I feel that I could leave all the world behind and take up abode there. Oh, how the birds do sing."

When this 20 year old girl wrote these words, she was only three years away from death but had no thought or premonition of such a thing happening to her. What caused this burst of feeling and expression? I think it was because she felt a nearness to the great architect and builder of the forest and its beauty than perhaps she had ever experienced before. She not only saw proof of GOD in all of the beauty around her but in the birds now having their spring jubilee.

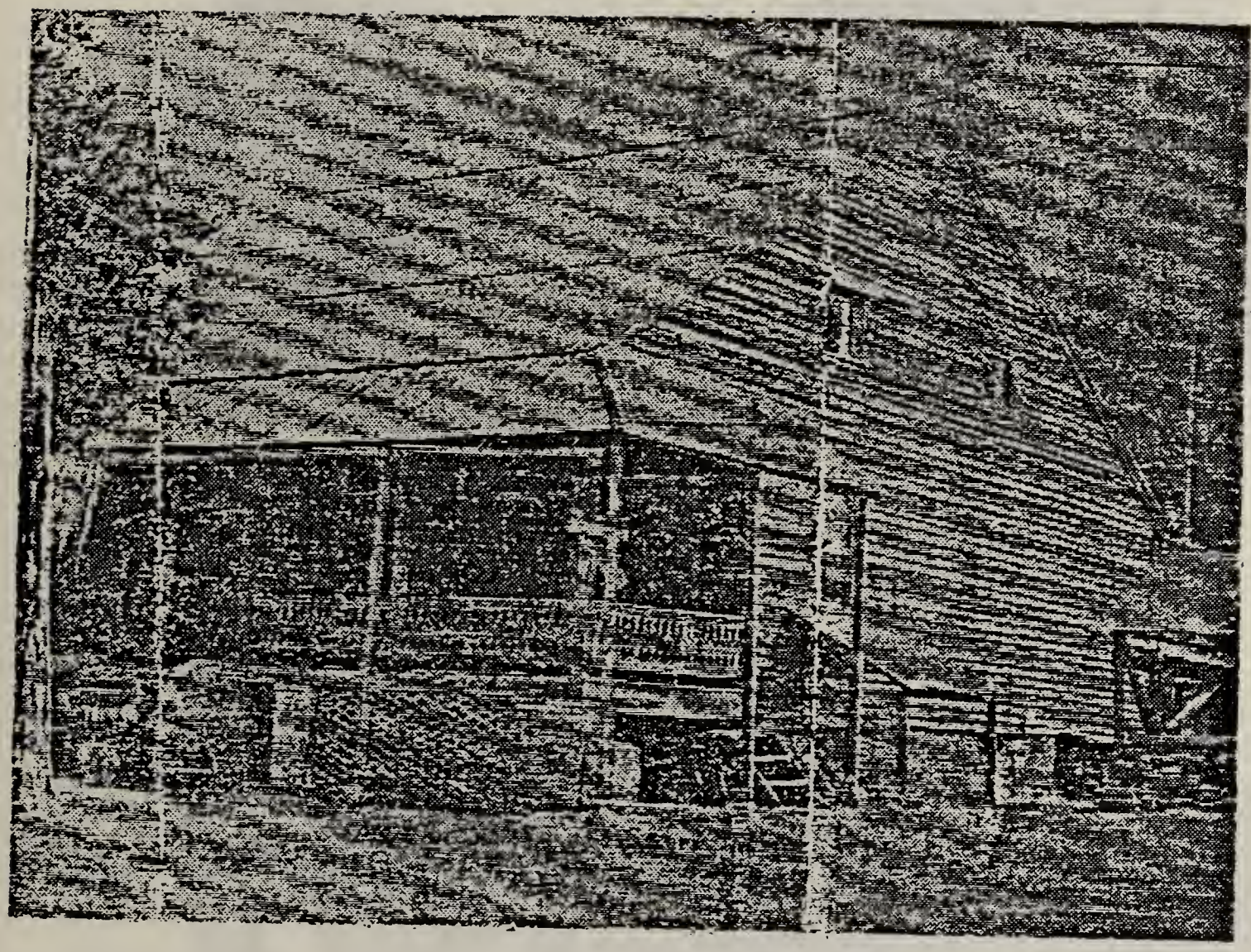
When my father wired me that Lena was in the hospital at New Orleans seriously ill and not expected to live, I said to myself: "You have not been a real brother, and you must not let the boat leave you. You must go, and take your checkbook along and do what you can for her. My wife and I took the first train out of El Paso for New Orleans, and on our arrival there, we hurried to the hospital. When I saw my sister lying there facing imminent death, all her hopes and dreams blasted, tears began to rain down from my eyes, and I had to leave the room. I walked up the corridor to a window, and after gazing at the world outside, I said to myself, "If there was a way I could save her life by sacrificing my own, I would gladly do so." In a few days the end came, and she was laid to rest. Her death was a great blow to all of us but a much worse blow to our parents. Death had already taken two children away from them, and all of the others had married and left home, except Lena, and now the grim reaper had called again and taken their youngest away from them, leaving them alone. She was the SUNSHINE of their home. To honor her, these words were ascribed on her monument.

End of the material supplied to me by the Graves family.

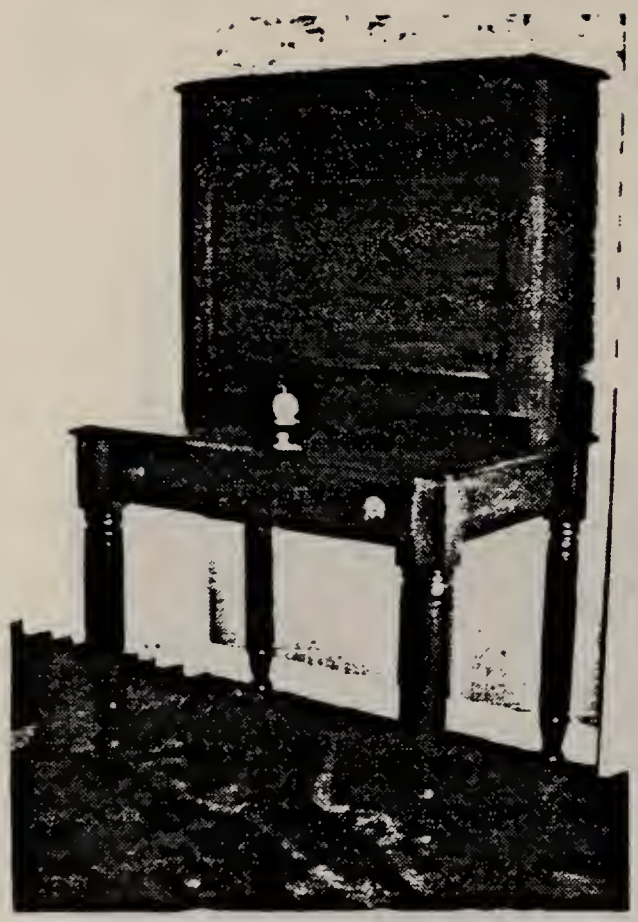
Joseph Seab (1809-1872) born in Prussia and Helena Maria (Mary) Nienaber (1823-1901) born in Lindern, Province of Oldenburg, Germany.

FAMILY PORTRAITS

These pictures are in the August Seab (son of Joseph) Bible. None have been identified as part of August's family unless the lower left is William Frederick Seab (1850-1919). We believe they are all Nienabers whose migration to American was financed by the Seabs.



The home of Joseph Seab, built about 1858 as it appeared about 1972.



Furniture from the old Joseph Seab place. These are now owned by Murray Seab of Natchez, MS.

Upper. Quilt from Joseph Seab's place, now owned by Murray Seab.
Lower. Organ from August Seab's home.

August Seab's home as it was about 1890. Shown are August Seab's family. Left to right: Johnie, Will, Joe, Jim, August (parent), Kate, Laura, Laura Hemby Seab (parent), Nora, Nanie McKiney (neighbor), May and Pat.

August Seab (1845-1933) taking care of his bees. The cloudy areas are smoke. His helper is unidentified. In the background is a side view of his home. On the side pictured was the parlor, and bedroom with a stairway in between. A hallway ran the length of the home from front to back. The master bed-sitting room and a small bedroom was on the other side. Boys slept upstairs. The kitchen-dining area was on the back built separate from the house with a short breezeway connecting.

August Seab (1845-1933) son of Joseph Seab, and Laura Virginia (Hemby) Seab (1847-1930), daughter of Dennis Hemby and Lenorah Lee Cain.

August Seab's 80th birthday party, 18 Sep 1924. Seated Laura Virginia Seab and August Seab. Standing Charles Patrick Seab, Laura Seab Loflin, Willie A. Seab Sr, Annie May Seab Latham, Joseph Dennis Seab, Katie Lou Seab Peale. These are children of August and Laura Seab.

18 September 1924, August Seab's 80 birthday. Standing: Laura Seab Loflin and baby, William A. Seab Sr, ? , ? , Joseph Marion Seab, ? , May Seab Latham, Joe Dennis Seab, Kate Seab Peale, ? , Emma McMillan who married Neal Wilkinson, ? , ? . Seated Louisa Virginia Seab Combs, Mary Elizabeth Seab Hunt, Laura Virginia Hemby Seab, August Seab. Seated on ground ? , Bertha Mae Seab, Alexander Seab Peale.,

Lenorah Seab Claughton (1873-1923), daughter of August Seab.

May Seab Latham (1875-1967), daughter of August Seab, trained at Natchez Sanitorium, Natchez, MS.

Joseph Dennis Seab (1877-1953), son of August Seab. Frances Eleanor McMillan (1880-1962) and her husband Joseph Dennis Seab.

Two photos of James Frederick Seab (1879-1919), son of August Seab.

Augustus Welch Peale (1876-1945) and his wife Katherine Louise Seab (1881-1955), daughter of August Seab.

Susan Janie Paxton (1888-1948) and Willie Augustus Seab (1883-1968), son of August Seab.

Charles Patrick Seab (1885-1953), son of August Seab.

John Hemby Seab (1887-1898), son of August Seab.

Upper: Laura Virgil Seab (1890-1971), daughter of August Seab.
Lower: Eunice Loflin, daughter of Laura Virgil Seab.

1917 photo of Willie Ed Byrd (1894-1970), son of Benton Hardy Byrd and Ellen Lucrecia Seale, and his wife Veda Thelma Cappus (1898-1979).

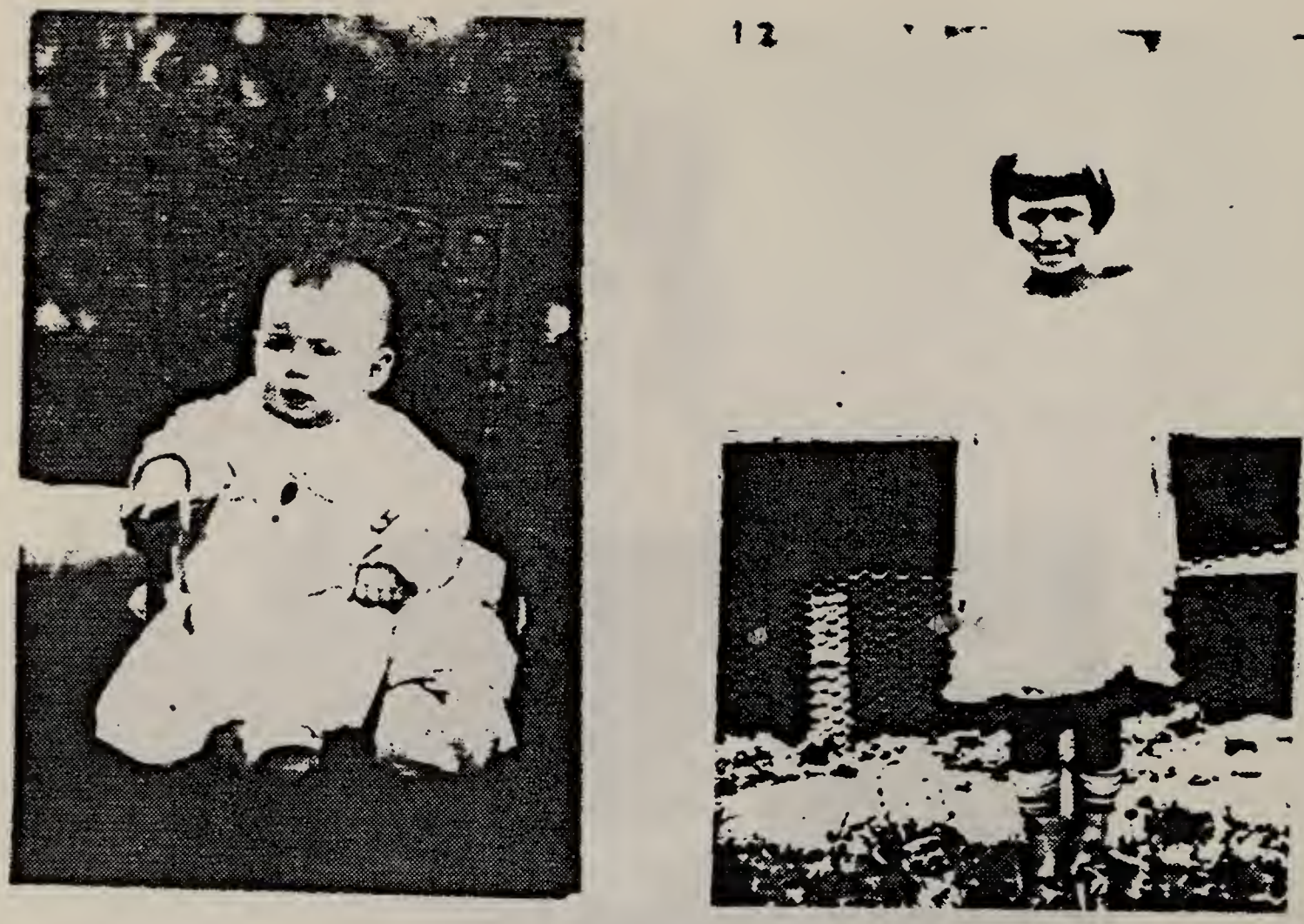
Julius J. Whittington (c.1890-) and Effie L. Jones (1881-1902), daughter of John Paul Jones and Katie Buie.

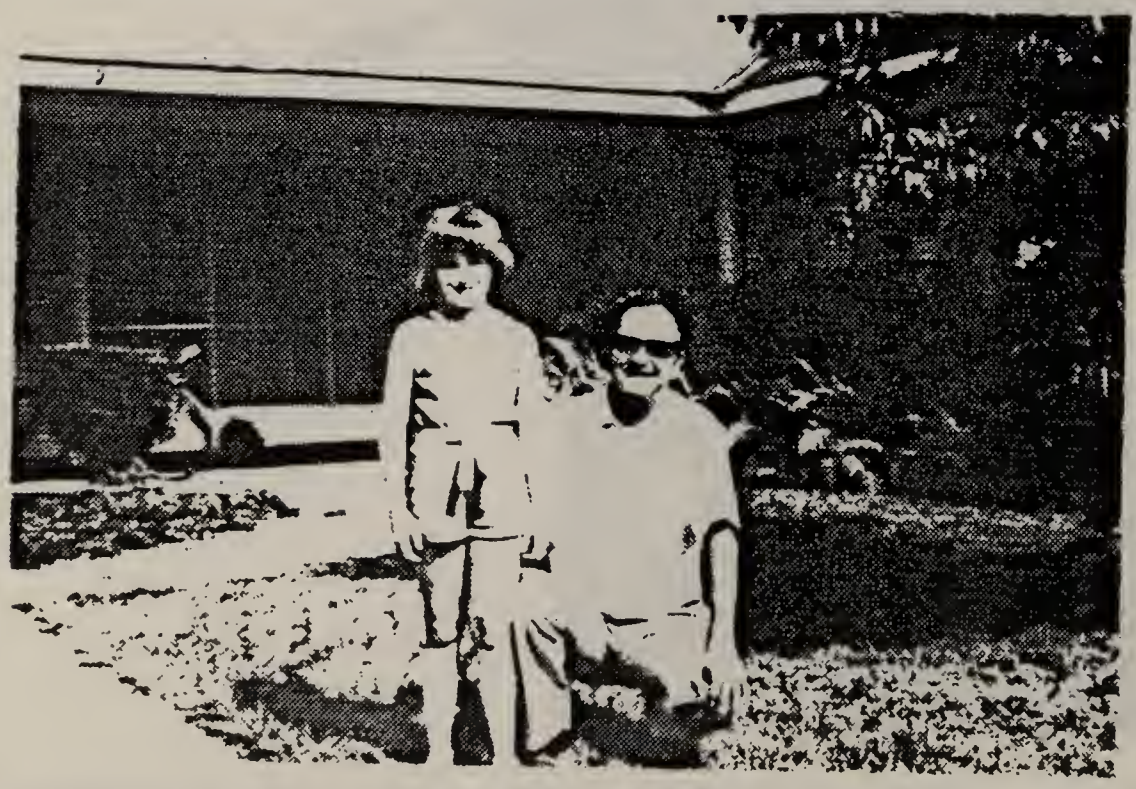
Mary Lee McMillan Seab (1887-1934), wife of Frederic August Seab (1887-1934).

W. A. Seab (1883-1968), son of August Seab.
Top: in his depot office at Corban, LA.
Bottom: He could make about 20 miles per hour.

Top - May Seab Latham, Annie Lee Claughton, Mary Lenora Seab Claughton
Bottom - Annie May Seab, Laura Virgil Seab, their mother Laura Virginia Hemby Seab.

James Corridon Seab (1913-), son of Joseph Dennis Seab and Frances Eleanor McMillan. His daughter Jimmie Seab Coney of Jonesville, LA financed part of the German research of the Seab family.





Upper: Two photos of Jimmie LeNoir Seab (1919-), only daughter of James Frederick Seab and Mary Wilson.
Lower: James Banks (1936-), son of Jimmie LeNoir Seab and Brantley Hudson Banks, and his daughter.

Upper left: Kate Seab Peale and son A. W. Peale Jr at Biloxi, MS.
Upper right: Paul Peale and A. W. Peale Jr.
Lower: Effie Mae Peale Johnson, photo of Dec. 1945.

Left: Margaret Overton Watson Seab (1893-1954), daughter of James Reeves Watson and Maggie Corry, and her husband Charles Patrick Seab (1885-1953).

MARY ELIZABETH SEAB/
Iverson David Hunt, Sr.

Chapter 7

Mary Elizabeth Seab, the 6th child of Joseph Seab and Helena Maria or Mary Nienaber, was born 17 Feb. 1859 near Roxie, Franklin Co., MS, d 8 Jan 1949, age 89y 10m 22d, Jackson, MS, m in Franklin Co. 6 Jan 1881 ***Iverson David Hunt, Sr.***, b 16 May 1853, Amite Co., MS, d 31 Aug 1933, Roxie of heart failure, both bur Roxie Cemetery, son of ***Henry Fitzmaurice Hunt*** and his wife ***Lou Cynthia Faust***.

> 1900 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.49-17 p38 Beat 1 #280 Hunt, Iverson D. May 1853, 47, m 19 yrs MS MS MS; Mary E. wife Feb 1859, 41 md 19 yrs 6 children 5 living MS GER GER; Mary L. dau Feb 1882, 18; Thomas A. son Sep 1884, 15; Iverson D. Jr. Oct 1886, 13; Ethel K. dau Feb 1881, 19; Alice I. dau Dec 1891, 8.
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> 1910 Fr.Co.,MS Beat 1, E.D.61-17, p.30 #523 Hunt, Iverson 56 md once 29 yrs MS MS MS; Mary E. wife 51 md once 29 yrs 6 children 5 living MS GER GER, Alice dau 18 single MS MS MS.

Their family is as follows:

1) ***Mary Lou Hunt***, b 20 Feb 1882, Franklin Co., MS, d 8 Mar 1953, Roxie, MS, bur Roxie Cemetery, m in Natchez, MS 18 Aug 1903 ***Allan Solomon Whitehead***, b 9 June 1880, Roxie, d 18 Aug 1934, Roxie, son of ***John Thomas Whitehead*** and ***Kate Bufkin***.

2) ***Cynthia Ann Hunt***, b 30 July 1883, Franklin Co., MS, d 17 Oct 1883.

3) ***Thomas Augustus Hunt***, b 10 Sep 1884, Franklin Co., MS, d 27 Mar 1920, m 22 Aug 1907 ***Annie Laura Miller*** who m 2nd ***Ernest W. Robeau***.

4) ***Iverson David Hunt, Jr.***, b 12 Oct 1886, Franklin Co., MS, d 11 Apr 1934, Lawton, OK, bur Roxie, MS, m 20 Jan 1912 ***Mary Ella Cowart***.

5) ***Ethel Katherine Hunt***, b 22 Feb 1889, Franklin Co., MS, d 14 Nov. 1974, m Franklin Co., MS 22 Apr 1913 ***Wright Covington Seale***, b 2 Mar 1868, Roxie, MS, d 24 Sep 1920, Jackson, LA, son of ***Jasper J. Seale*** and ***Mary Jane Smylie***.

6) ***Alice Isadore Hunt***, b 25 Dec 1896, Franklin Co., MS, d 30 Mar 1935, Roxie, bur Roxie Cemetery, m in Roxie 1 June 1915 ***Harrison Oydon French***, b 6 July 1885, Adams Co., MS, son of ***John Duncan French*** and ***Mary Elizabeth Bonds***. He m 2nd ***Carrie Lillian Chadwick***, b 11 Apr 1891, Wesson, Copiah, MS, dau of ***George Washington Chadwick*** and ***Catherine Victoria Commack***.

Descendants of ***Mary Elizabeth Seab*** and ***Iverson David Hunt, Sr.***:

1) ***Mary Lou Hunt***, b 20 Feb 1882, Franklin Co., MS, d 8 Mar 1953, Roxie, MS, m in Natchez, MS (v.14, p.144) 18 Aug 1903 ***Allan Solomon Whitehead***, b 9 June 1880, Roxie, MS, d 18 Aug 1934, Roxie, both bur Roxie Cemetery, Roxie, MS, son of ***John Thomas Whitehead*** and ***Kate Bufkin***.

1910 Fr.Co.,MS E.D. 63-15 Whitehead, Allen S. 29 MS; Mary L. wife 28; Hazel A. dau 5; Roy A. son 3; unnamed son 4/12 MS

A) ***Hazel Beatrice Whitehead***, b 5 Mar 1905, Roxie, MS, d 18 Oct 1979(?), m in Roxie, MS 7 June 1924 (Bk 12-326, no return) ***William Franklin Mullins***, b 17 Dec 1900, Knoxville, Franklin Co., MS, d 1 Jan 1979, both bur Roxie Cemetery, Roxie, MS, son of ***Luther Mullins*** and ***Fannie Schooler***.

a) ***Charles William Mullins***, b 14 Mar 1925, Roxie, MS, d 18 Oct 1979, bur Roxie Cemetery, Roxie, MS, m in Brookhaven, MS 22 Dec 1945 ***Earlyn Maxwell***, b 18 Feb 1925, Brookhaven, MS, dau of ***Earl Bryan Maxwell*** and ***Ruby Green***, lives Roxie, MS (Box 33).

1/ ***Lydia Grace Mullins***, b 29 Aug 1948, Brookhaven, MS, m in Roxie, MS 30 Aug 1969 ***John Cecil Cummins***, b 18 Sep 1948, Oxford, MS, son of ***Cecil Vardaman Cummins*** and ***Johnie Corinne Halford***, live Roxie, MS (P.O.Box 268).

A/ ***John Christopher Cummins***, b 12 July 1974, Natchez, MS.

B/ ***Joly Cecile Cummins***, b 15 Mar 1981, Natchez, MS.

b) ***Juanita Mullins***, b 24 May 1929, Roxie, MS, lives 1100 Guinevere Circle, Birmingham, AL.

c) ***Jimmie Ruth Mullins***, b 8 June 1932, Roxie, MS, m in Natchez, MS 8 June 1950 ***Aubrey Garner***, b 31 Aug 1928, Crowville, LA, son of ***Richard Leay Garner*** and ***Ovie Tinker***, live West 4th St., Roxie, MS.

1/ ***William Aubrey Garner***, b 9 Apr 1952, Natchez, MS, lives Roxie, MS.

2/ ***Richard Dale Garner***, b 10 Aug 1953, Natchez, MS, live Rt. 3, Box 2, Government Fleet Road, Natchez, MS.

A/ ***Carolyn Garner***, m ***Ed Matthews***, live Roxie, MS.

B/ ***Alan Lenard Garner***, live Roxie, MS.

d) ***John Thomas Mullins***, b 4 Mar 1935, Roxie, m 10 Aug 1958, Roxie, MS, ***Janice Lynn Mooney***, dau of ***Ervin William Mooney*** and ***Hazel Virginia Rogers***, live 347 Alabama, Roxie, MS.

1/ ***James Kevin Mullins***, b 14 Aug 1959, Meadville, MS, m in Roxie, MS 4 Sep 1982 ***Ramona Jean Trombley***, b 19 May 1960, Mt. Clemens, MI, dau of ***Arthur Lee Trombley*** and ***Cynthia Ann Simon***, live Roxie, MS (P.O. Box 177). Mrs. Mullins assisted in compiling data for this family.

A/ ***Jonathan Ryan Mullins***, b 28 Feb 1984, Natchez, MS.

B/ ***Daniel Corban Mullins***, b 12 May 1989, Natchez, MS.

2/ ***Anthony Del Mullins***, b 19 Oct 1961, m 22 Dec 1984 ***Jena Lynn Frith,*** lives Roxie, MS.

3/ ***Bradley Wade Mullins***, b 5 Jan 1969, Natchez, MS, lives Roxie, MS.

B) ***Ray Alexander Whitehead***, b 27 Dec 1906, Roxie, MS, d 10 Feb 1973, bur Roxie Cemetery, m in Roxie, MS 15 Nov. 1928 (Bk 13 p143) ***Pauline Farr***, b 8 Nov 1910, Hamburg, MS, d 20 Jan 1989, dau of ***Nathaniel Kinnison Farr*** and ***Sallie Ethel Guice***.

> 1910 Fr.Co.,MS Beat 2 #76 Farr, N. K. 21 md once 3 yrs MS MS MS; Ethel E. wife 20 md once 3 yrs 2 children 1 living; Edwin son 1 6/12; Guice, Sarah A. cousin 78 wid 1 child 1 living MS MS MS.

a) ***Harold Ray Whitehead***, b 30 Oct 1932, Roxie, MS, m 15 Feb 1952 ***Bobbye Nell McCall***, b 1 July 1932, Roxie, MS, dau of ***Colon Oliver McCall*** and ***Lela Pearline Prather***, div. He m 2nd ***Donna Beeson***. Bobbye Nell McCall Whitehead m 2nd 2 Dec 1960 ***Carroll O. Graves***.

1/ ***Brenda Ann Whitehead***, b 17 Oct 1952, Natchez, MS, m 1st in Roxie, MS 24 Nov 1969 ***John Wayne Purser***, b 18 Dec 1947, m 2nd ***Edgar Ray Cloy,*** b 19 Nov. , m 3rd in Catahoula Par., LA 19 Nov 1982 ***Nolan Bass***, b 7 Mar 1930.

A/ Emerald Michelle Purser, b 9 Mar 1970, m in Roxie, MS 17 Mar 1991 ***Chris Roeider***, b 26 Oct 1968.

B/ ***Edgar Ray Cloy, Jr.***, b 24 July 1971.

C/ ***Crystal Renee Cloy***, b 11 Apr 1974.

D/ ***Tanya Nell Cloy***, b 10 Mar 1977.

E/ ***Colon Cecil Bass***, b 14 Aug 1980.

2/ ***James Ricky Whitehead***, b 8 Jan 1954, Natchez, MS, m at Roxie, MS, 1 June 1974 ***Carolyn Jean Aldridge***, b 10 Feb 1956 Meadville, MS, dau of ***Virgil Butler Aldridge*** and ***Jean Carolyn Mathis***, live Hwy 335, Roxie, MS. Carolyn has assisted in compiling data on the Ray Alexander Whitehead family.

A/ ***James Braxton Whitehead***, b 20 Oct 1975, Natchez, MS.

B/ ***Scott Kriston Whitehead***, b 2 May 1979, Natchez, MS.

3/ ***Eddie Ray Whitehead***, b 21 Mar 1956, m 1st in Union Church, MS ***Janet Varnado***, m 2nd in Wisner, LA ***Judy Rials***. The first 3 children are by the 1st wife.

A/ ***DeAnna Elaine Whitehead***, b 21 Apr 1977.

B/ ***Andrea Lenora Whitehead***, b 16 Mar 1980.

C/ ***Hayden Ray Whitehead***, b 18 Mar 1981.

D/ ***Kyle Christopher Whitehead***.

4/ ***Paula Kathlene Whitehead***, half sister of James Ricky Whitehead, m ***Darrell Wilkerson***, lives in TX.

A/ ***Paula Kaye Whitehead***.

B/ ***James Alvie Whitehead***.

C/ ***Jennifer Caroline Whitehead***.

5/ ***Susan Maria Graves***, half sister of James Ricky Whitehead, m 6 Aug 1988 ***Jimmy Jackson***, lives in Roxie, MS.

A/ ***Susan Jackson***, b 13 Feb 1963.

6/ ***Alan Kenneson Whitehead***, half brother of James Ricky Whitehead, m 2 Mar 1991 ***Donna Frerichs***, b 28 Aug 1967, live Roxie, MS.

7/ ***Carroll Orsbon Graves***, half brother of James Ricky Whitehead, b 7 Oct 1961, m in Whiteapple, MS 19 July 1980 ***Janet Freeman***, live in Roxie, MS.

A/ ***Juston Wade Graves***, b 25 Feb 1980.

B/ ***Jeffery Ray Graves***, b 26 Apr 1984.

C/ ***Brittany Nicole Graves***, b 12 May 1986.

D/ ***Ethen Graves***.

b) ***John Allan Whitehead***, b 11 Oct. 1934, Roxie, MS, m at Roxie, MS 8 Sep 1957 ***Shirley McMillan***, b 10 Oct 1935 Roxie, MS, dau of ***Lawrence Monroe McMillan*** and ***Laura Walker***, live 419 Alabama St., Roxie, MS. They submitted data on their family.

1/ ***Allan Keith Whitehead***, b 18 Dec 1959, Meadville, Franklin Co., MS, not married 1990.

2/ ***Doris Janine Whitehead***, b 13 Aug 1964 Natchez, MS, m 24 Sep 1988 ***Terry J. Davy***.

3/ ***Tiffany Lynn Whitehead***, b 5 Aug 1977, Natchez, MS.

c) ***Ann Lorraine Whitehead***, b 17 Nov 1948, Natchez, MS, m ___ ***Smallwood***, live Baton Rouge, LA.

C) ***Earl Magee Whitehead***, b 6 Dec 1909, Roxie, MS, d after 1969, m 18 Aug 1941 ***Mary Ethel Claughton***, b 23 May 1911, Franklin Co., MS, d 1969 Roxie, MS, dau of ***John Pemberton Claughton*** and ***Jane Graves***. He lives 217 East 3rd St., Roxie, MS. They had children, none of whom survived their parents.

D) ***Kathleen Elizabeth Whitehead***, b 25 Nov 1912, Roxie, MS, m 30 Nov 1939 (Rev) ***Lonnie Edwin Williams***, live 541 Alabama St., Roxie, MS.

a) ***Donna Kaye Williams***, m at Roxie, MS 7 June 1975 ***Edward Thomas Gazaway, Jr.***, son of ***Edward Thomas Gazaway***.

E) ***Allen David Whitehead***, b 3 July 1917, Roxie, MS, m in Franklin Co. 14 Mar 1942 ***Voncile F. French***, b 2 Apr 1924, Hamburg, Franklin Co., MS, dau of ***Alvie French*** and ***Ollie Mae Calcote***, live 324 Alabama, Roxie, MS.

a) ***David Glenn Whitehead***, b 26 Nov 1948, Natchez, MS, m 8 Apr 1972 ***Marian Louise Kaiser***, live 2703 Cavelier Dr., Baton Rouge, LA.

3) ***Thomas Augustus Hunt***, b 10 Sep 1884, Franklin Co., MS, d 27 Mar 1920, m 22 Aug 1907 ***Annie Laura Miller***, who m 2nd ***Ernest W. Robeau***, lived Houston, TX.

A) ***Mildred Elizabeth Hunt***, b 7 May 1907, Centreville, MS, m in Tuscaloosa, Jefferson Co., AL 30 Jan 1929 ***Wilson Ewing***, b 5 Oct 1901, Pass Christian, MS, d 8 Sep 1952, Monroe, LA, bur New Orleans, LA, son of (Col.) ***Robert Ewing*** and ***Helen Mae Dunbrack***,
lived 2107 Island Dr., Monroe, LA.

a) ***Esther Ewing***, b 7 Sep 1930, New Orleans, LA, d ___, m 1st 30 July 1955 (Dr.) ***H. K. Wynne***, m 2nd ***Sterling Jensen***.

1/ ***Esther Ewing Wynne***, b 26 June 1956, New Orleans, LA.

2/ ***Elizabeth Bell Wynne***, b 17 Dec 1957, New Orleans, LA.

b) ***Robert Ewing III***, b 28 May 1935, Monroe, LA, m 20 July 1952 ***Kathie Fleischmann***. (Owns newspaper and TV Station?).

1/ ***Robert Ewing IV***, b 26 Apr 1958, Monroe, LA.

2/ ***Krista Katherine Ewing***, b 12 Jan 1960, Monroe, LA.

B) ***Burch F. Hunt***, d ___, lived 303 Lynwood St., Houston, TX.

C) ***Thomas Hunt***, d ___, m ___, lived 303 Lynwood St., Houston, TX.

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4) ***Iverson David Hunt, Jr.***, MS PFC, Med Dept, b 12 Oct. 1886, Roxie, MS, d 11 Apr 1934, Lawton, OK, bur 14 Apr 1934, Roxie, MS, m 20 Jan 1912 (Franklin Co. 10-208 by H. P. Hall, MBS) ***Mary Ella Cowart***. Mrs. ***Janett Jenkins***, 14376 Lanark, Panama City, CA and ***Mrs. M. W. Mays, Jr.*** of 905 Dickman Rd., Ft. Sam Houston, TX (1955 addresses) are descendants. No further information.

Could this be ours?
1910 Lawrence Co., MS at Monticello E.D.95-1 Cowart, E.O. 67, MS; H.E. wife 64; Mary E. dau 23.

A) ***Carlee Hunt***.

5) ***Ethel Katherine Hunt***, b 22 Feb 1889, Franklin Co., MS, d 14 Nov 1974, m in Franklin Co., MS 22 Apr 1913 (Bk. 10-314 by T. E. Summers, M.G.) ***Wright Covington Seale***, b 2 Mar 1868, Roxie, MS, d 24 Sep 1920, Jackson, LA, both bur Roxie Cemetery, son of ***Jasper J. Seale*** and ***Mary Jane Smylie***. He m 1st in Franklin Co. MS 12 Mar 189l (1-431 by G. W. Farmer, M.G., P. E. Smylie bondsman) ***Estelena Claughton***, b 21 Feb 1866, d 15 May 1912, bur Claughton Cemetery, Franklin Co., MS, dau of ***John P.*** and ***Janie Claughton***.

1880 Fr.Co.,MS #448 Seale, Jasper J. 36 MS GA MS; Mary G. 34 wife MS MS MS; Wright 12 son; Donia 10 dau; Emma 7 dau; Robert 6 son; John 2 son; Catherine mother MS MS MS.

1910 Fr.Co.,MS Beat 1 p.15 #38 Seale, W. C. 42 md once 19 yrs MS MS MS merchant general store; Estelena wife 44 md once 19 yrs 3 children 1 living MS MS MS; Edith dau 12 LA MS MS.

1910 Franklin Co., MS, Beat 1, #170 Claughton, John P. 50 md once 13 yrs MS MS MS; Janie wife 34 md once 13 yrs 4 children 3 living MS MS MS; Estelena dau 12; Russell son 7; Edith dau 4; Davis, James B. boarder 72 single LA LA LA.

A) ***Iva Mae Seale***, b 25 Apr 1915, Roxie, MS, m 6 May 1939 ***Rayford Sidney Vaughan***, b 9 Jan 1913, Brookhaven, Lincoln Co., MS, live 8251 Gladewood Dr., Baton Rouge, LA.

a) ***Rayford Seale Vaughan***, b 19 Sep 1940, Shreveport, LA, m 31 Aug 1962 ***Sharye Laverne King***, b 5 Jul 1941, dau of ***Norman Henry King*** and ***Vera Winona Jones***.

1/ ***Sharye Lynn Vaughan***, b 5 Aug 1967, Baton Rouge, LA.

2/ ***Kevin Seale Vaughan***, b 16 Dec 1968, Baton Rouge, LA.

3/ ***Michael Ray Vaughan***, b 19 Sep 1975, Baton Rouge, LA.

b) ***Ethel Rebecca Vaughan***, b 30 Jul 1944 Baton Rouge, LA, m in Baton Rouge, LA, 15 Apr 1965, ***Joseph Ray McCormick III***, 29 Nov 1942, Baton Rouge, LA, son of ***Joseph Ray McCormick II*** and ***Clara Mae Armstrong***.

1/ ***Julia Ann McCormick***, b 10 Aug 1966, Baton Rouge, LA.

2/ ***Joseph Ray McCormick IV***, 20 Nov 1968, Baton Rouge, LA, m 1 Dec 1990 ***Kimberly Williams***.

c) ***Thomas Dale Vaughan***, b 15 Jan 1948, Baton Rouge, LA, m in Salt Lake City, UT 30 Jun 1981 ***Marlys Ray Adsero***, b 14 May 1952, Fargo, Cass Co., ND, dau of ***Arthur Alvin Adsero*** and ***Elaine Albertine Poss***. They live 17 Rollingwood Lane, Sandy, UT. She assisted in gathering data for her line.

1/ ***Christen Elaine Vaughan***, b 2 Sep 1983, Baton Rouge, LA.

2/ ***Heather Iva Vaughan***, b 10 Jul 1986, Baton Rouge, LA.

B) ***Dorothy Elizabeth Seale***, b 15 Feb 1917, Roxie, MS, d 17 Jul 1981, Jackson, Hinds Co., MS, m 17 Dec 1942 ***Leroy Moore***, b 11 Nov 1912, Ripley, MS, lived Jackson, MS.

a) ***Joseph Leroy Moore***, b 23 Sep 1950, Jackson, MS, m ***Debbie*** ___, live Houston, TX.

C) ***Infant son Seale*** of W. C. and E. K. 24 Dec 1918, Union Baptist Church Cemetery 3 miles S/SE of Roxie on Forest Rt. 178, Franklin Co., MS.

D) ***Martha Wright Seale***, b 17 Aug 1919, Roxie, MS, m 14 Dec 1939 ***Brady Persons***, b 2 Jan 1913, George Co., MS, live 2660 Beach Blvd 3-C, Biloxi, MS.

a) ***James Brady Persons***, b 11 Nov 1941, Jackson, MS, m 1st ***Carol Ann Lofstrom***, m 2nd ***Linda Kaye Johnson***.

1/ ***James Brady Persons, Jr.***, b 18 Oct 1974, Biloxi, MS, Harrison Co., MS.

2/ ***Charles Kenneth Persons***, b 8 Dec 1975, Biloxi, MS.

b) ***Paula Katherine Persons***, adopted, b 13 Aug 1949, New Orleans, LA, m in Jackson, MS 3 June 1969 ***James Ronald Chapman***, b 13 Sep 1946, Kosciusko, MS.

1/ ***Paul Douglas Chapman***, b 4 Jan 1972, Jackson, MS.

2/ ***Patricia Leigh Chapman***, b 27 Nov 1974, Jackson, MS.

6) ***Alice Isadore Hunt***, b 25 Dec 1896, Franklin Co., MS, d 29 Mar 1935, Roxie, MS, bur Roxie Cemetery, m in Roxie MS 1 June 1915 (Bk.11-11 by S. P. DuBois, M.G.) ***Harrison Oydon French***, b 6 July 1885, Adams Co., MS, son of ***John Duncan French*** and ***Mary Elizabeth Bonds***. He m 2nd ***Carrie Lillian Chadwick***, b 11 Apr 1891, Wesson, Copiah Co., MS, dau of ***George Washington Chadwick*** and ***Catherine Victoria Commack***.

A) ***Edith Alyce French***, b 8 Sep 1920, Natchez, MS, d 2 Mar 1946, m in Jackson, MS 2 Mar 1946 ***Luther Burnham Bullock, Sr.***, b 10 Apr 1924, Merigold, MS, son of ***Clarence Bullock*** and ***Bessie Burnham***.

a) ***Luther Burnham Bullock, Jr.***, b 30 Sep 1947, Starkville, MS.

B) ***Harrison Oydon French, Jr.***, b 10 Aug 1931, Hamburg, MS, m 15 May 1954 ***Mildred Faye Foss***.

JOSEPH MARION SEAB/
Emma Virginia McMillan

Chapter 8

Joseph Marion Seab, the 7th born child of Joseph Seab and Helena Maria or Mary Nienaber, was b 9 Apr 1862 near Roxie, MS, d 24 July 1940 near Roxie at the old Seab homeplace, m at Whiteapple, Franklin Co., MS 11 Dec 1890 (Fr. Co. Bk 1-408 by F. H. Darsey, Jr., wit I. D. Hunt) ***Emma Virginia McMillan***, b 1 Feb 1865, Whiteapple, MS, d 25 June 1942 near Roxie, both bur Roxie Cemetery in Franklin Co., dau of ***Monroe McMillan*** and ***Martha Benton***. Natalie Wood Myers wrote that one summer day in 1940, Joseph M. Seab was resting on the south end of the gallery when one of the others heard his knife (He loved to whittle) fall. He had suffered a stroke. He never walked again or spoke and died on the 24th of July 1946.

Natalie also sent (in 1985) birth and death dates for Joseph Marion Seab's family and wrote: Emma V. McMillan Seab was the only girl that lived to adulthood (of the McMillan family), having had two sisters who died in childhood and are buried in the old McMillan Cemetery off Hwy 33 South. She had five brothers: Willie, Luther, Kirk, Pharis and Howard, three of whom are buried also in the old McMillan Cemetery. The former location of the old McMillan homestead is right off Hwy 33 South where Robert and Estalena (Corban) Farrell now live, approximately 6 miles from Roxie, MS. It is called the Whiteapple Community. The original house was made of logs where Grandmother was born and lived with her brothers and parents, Monroe E. and Martha Benton McMillan. Most of this information came from my mother Cornelia Irene "Nenie" Seab Wood which I wrote down in 1963.

The Bible record of Joseph Marion Seab was in the possession of Lawrence Seab at the old Seab homestead near Roxie, MS and reads:

Births:

Joseph Kirk Seab, August 18, 1891
William Carl Seab, 18 Aug 1891
Mattie Ruth Seab, 10 Oct 1892
Lawrence Edward Seab, 24 Dec 1893
Clyde Seab, 6 May 1895
Katie Cornelia Seab, 10 March 1897
Joseph Kirk Seab, 19 July 1899
Edgar Lamar Seab, 26 Dec 1901
Mildred Seab, 8 May 1905
Alice Virginia Seab, 27 June 1906

Deaths:

Joseph Kirk Seab, 30 Aug 1892
Alice Virginia Seab, 24 Sep 1906
Joseph Marion Seab, 24 July 1940
Emma Virginia Seab, 25 June 1942
Sue Seab, 6 Nov. 1946
Mattie Ruth Seab, 14 Oct 1952
Clyde Seab, 22 Oct 1947
Joseph Marion Seab, born 9 Apr 1862

Emma V. Seab, born 1 Feb 1865

J. M. Seab, Roxie, Miss., and Emma V. McMillan of Whiteapple, Miss. married 11 Dec. 1890.

Censuses:
1900 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.49-13 p25 #197 Beat 1 Joseph M. Seab Apr 1862, 38, MS md 10 yrs MS GER GER; Emma wife Feb 1866, 34, MS md 10 yrs, 7 children 6 living MS MS MS; William C. son Aug 1891, 9; Mattie R. dau 1893, 7; Lawrence E. son Dec 1894, 6 MS MS MS; Clide son May 1895, 5; Cornelia dau May 1897, 3; Joseph son July 1899 10/12; Mary H. mother Sept 1823, 77 wid GER GER GER, yr. of immigration 1840, No years in U.S. 60, can read yes, can write yes, can speak English yes; James M. Harrigill boarder white male Mar 1833, 67 single MS MS MS family nurse.

1910 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.61-5 p18 Beat 1, #100 Seab, Joseph M. 48 md once 19 yrs MS GER GER, farmer; E. P. wife 46 md once 19 yrs 10 children 8 living; W. Carl son 18 MS MS MS; Mattie Ruth dau 17; Lawrence E. son 16; Clyde son 14; Kate C. dau 12; J. K. son 10; Lamar E. son 7; Mildred dau 5.

The family of ***Joseph Marion Seab*** and ***Emma Virginia McMillan***:

1. ***Joseph Kirk Seab***, twin, b 18 Aug 1891, Roxie, MS, d 30 Aug 1892, buried McMillan Cemetery. This is a fenced cemetery located about 4 miles south of Roxie, .3 miles south of the Whiteapple road and .3 miles east of highway 33 in a pasture.

2) ***William Carl Seab***, twin, b 18 Aug 1891, Roxie, MS, d 15 Jan 1965 at the old Seab homeplace, bur Roxie Cemetery, Roxie, MS, m at Jackson, MS 18 Aug 1942 ***Dorothy Flora White***, b 28 Dec 1893, Houston, MS, d Greenwood, MS, dau of (Rev.) ***John Parker White*** and ***Ellen Pauline Womack***. Dorothy m 1st 4 June 1913 ***Robert Ernest Hubbard***.

3) ***Mattie Ruth Seab***, b 10 Oct 1892, Roxie, MS, d 14 Oct 1952, bur Roxie Cemetery. She taught school after attending MSCU, never married.

4) ***Laurence Edward Seab***, b 24 Dec. 1893, Roxie, MS, d 11 Dec 1959, was a severe asthmatic, bur. Roxie Cemetery.

5) ***Clyde Seab***, b 6 May 1895, Roxie, MS, d 22 Oct 1947, Roxie, MS, m in Detroit, MI 2 Feb 1924 ***Susie Blanch O'Conner***, b 18 Mar 1902, Harrisville, MI, d 6 Nov 1946 in a car accident, Roxie, both bur Roxie Cemetery, Roxie, MS, dau of ***Thomas H. O'Conner*** and ***Ida Ellen Smooth***.

6) ***Cornelia Irene "Nenie" Seab*** (Katie Cornelia Seab in Bible record), b 10 Mar 1897 in old Seab homeplace and raised there near Roxie, MS, d 13 Aug 1977, m 1st in Franklin Co. MS, 18 Aug 1912 ***James Omar Wood***, b 27 Dec 1891, Kemper Co., MS, d May 1971, son of (Dr.) ***John Harrison Wood*** and ***Emma Permelia Tinsley***, m 2nd Natchez, MS 5 May 1954 ***Willie Pierce Miller***, b 1 Oct 1906 near Minden, LA, son of ***Milan Wesley Miller*** and ***Pearl Garland***.

7) ***Joseph Kirk Seab***, b 19 July 1899, Roxie, MS, d 17 (4?) May 1988, Baton Rouge, LA, m at Rayville, LA 10 June 1933 ***Alice Louise Field***, b 9 Jan 1908, Centerville, MS, d 17 Aug 1989, Murfreesboro, TN, both bur Field Cemetery, Norwood, LA, dau of ***Leroy Cecelius Field*** and ***Eula Cox***.

8) ***Edgar Lamar Seab***, b 26 Dec 1901, Roxie, MS, d 21 Nov 1962, bur Roxie Cemetery, unmarried.

9) ***Mildred Seab***, b 8 May 1905, Roxie, MS, d 15 Apr 1979, m 10 Oct 1926 ***Sandy Bickham Brumfield***, b 3 Apr 1895, Norfield, Lincoln Co., MS, d 26 Apr 1975, Brookhaven, MS, both bur Moak's Creek Baptist Cemetery, Bogue Chitto, Lincoln Co., MS, son of ***Jesse William Brumfield*** and ***Margaret Samanthy Roberts***.

10. ***Alice Virginia Seab***, b 27 June 1906, Roxie, MS, d 24 Sep 1906, bur McMillan Cemetery, Franklin Co., located 4 miles south of Roxie, .3 miles south of Whiteapple and .3 miles east of highway 33 in a pasture.

Much of the information on this line is from Natalie Wood Myers of Brookhaven, MS and Murray Seab of Natchez.

Descendants of ***Joseph Marion Seab*** and ***Emma Virginia McMillan***:

2) ***William Carl Seab***, b 18 Aug 1891 near Roxie, MS in old Seab homeplace, d 15 Jan 1965, Greenwood, MS, bur Roxie Cemetery, m at Jackson, MS 18 Aug 1942 ***Dorothy Flora White***, b 28 Dec 1893, Houston, MS, d Greenwood, MS, dau of (Rev.) ***John Parker White*** and ***Ellen Pauline Womack***. She m 1st at Sumner, MS 4 June 1913 ***Robert Ernest Hubbard***, b 2 Aug 1880, Mattson, MS, d 10 Apr 1944, Los Angeles, CA, bur Mattson, MS, son of ***William Osborne Hubbard*** and ***Helen Legg***. No issue by Carl Seab. [Issue of Dorothy Flora White Hubbard:

A) ***Robert Ernest Hubbard, Jr.***, b 5 Sep 1914, Mattson, MS, d 11 May 1952, m 16 Mar 1944 ***Josaphene Fanelli***.

B) ***Frank White Hubbard***, b 23 June 1920, Soldier Sumit, UT.]

Carl was a veteran of WW1, MS PFC, Co. B, 114 Fld Sig Bn. His obituary in the Natchez Democrat of 16 Jan 1965 reads:

> W. CARL SEAB DIED YESTERDAY IN GREENWOOD. Advices have been received here of the death of W. Carl Seab, Age 73, and one of the most prominent Masons in Mississippi, who passed to his eternal reward in Greenwood, Miss. on Friday. His passing brings sorrow to the members of his family and many friends in Franklin County and throughout the state.
> Mr. Seab was born in Franklin County on August 18, 1891.
> He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Dorothy Seab, Greenwood, Miss., two sisters, Mrs. S. V. Brumfield, Bogue Chitto, Miss., and Mrs. W. P. Miller of Roxie, Miss., and one brother J. K. Seab, Baton Rouge, La.
> Mr. Seab is a Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Mississippi; Past Grand High Priest, R.A.M., Past Grand Illustrious Master, R S M and Past Grand Commander of the Knights Templar of Mississippi.
> He is a member of the Knights of York Cross of Honor and the Red Cross of Constantine.
> The body will be taken to Roxie, Miss., where interment services will be held at three o'clock on Saturday afternoon. T. Olin Gore, Jr., of Water Valley, Miss., Grand Lecturer of the Grand Chapter and Council of Mississippi, will conduct the interment services. The Natchez Knights Templars will furnish an official escort.

5) ***Clyde Seab***, farmer, b 6 May 1895 near Roxie, MS, d 22 Oct 1947, Roxie, m in Detroit, MI 2 Feb 1924 ***Susie Blanch O'Conner***, b 18 Mar 1902, Harrisville, MI, d 6 Nov 1946 in a car accident, Roxie, both bur in Roxie Cemetery, dau of ***Thomas H. O'Conner*** and ***Ida Ellen Smooth***.

A) ***Clyde Kenneth Seab***, U. S. Air Force, b 17 Nov 1925, Roxie, MS, d 8 Oct 1978, Osyka, Pike Co., MS, bur Mt. Zion Cemetery, Osyka, MS, m 1st in Franklin Co., MS (he age 23, she age 18) 25

Jan 1951 ***Joyce Lee Leach***, b 1931, dau of ***Jack M. Leach*** and ***Hilda F. Robertson***, m 2nd in Magnolia, MS on 31 May 1971 ***Okla Willis***, b 15 Feb 1912, Washington Parish, LA. Okla m 1st ***Emmet Rhodus***, son of ***Hiram Rhodus*** and ***Montory Caroline Berry***.

a) ***Brenda Joyce Seab***, b 14 Feb 1952, Natchez, MS, m 1st ***Everette D. Mayo, Jr.***, m 2nd in 1989 ***J. W. Nugent, Jr.***, live Jena, LA.

1/ ***Alisa Dawn Mayo***, b 26 Oct 1970, Natchez, MS.

2/ ***Everette D. Mayo III***, b 22 Oct 1974, Crowley, LA.

B) ***Murray Keith Seab***, b 1 Dec 1927, Detroit, MI, m at Jena, LA 18 Sep 1953 ***Fredie Mae Terral***, b 2 June 1930, Jena, LA, dau of ***"J. B." or Buddie Terrel*** and ***Ethel Irene Shaifer***. Murray assisted in the compiling of records in this family. He lives at Washington, MS, has many of the records and furnishings from the old Joseph Seab home.

a) ***Sue Irene Seab***, b 1 Sep 1954, Jena, LA, lives in Baton Rouge.

b) ***Karen Ann "Kay" Seab***, b 15 Oct 1955, Jena, LA, m at Natchez, MS 25 Dec 1976 ***Gerald Paul Davey***, b 12 Oct 1953 of Severna Park, MD, son of ***Rex Davey*** and ***Florence Bridges***.

1/ ***Lauren Elizabeth Davey***, b 26 May 1980, Kingsport, TN.

2/ ***Jeremy Scott Davey***, b 24 Aug 1982, Kingsport, TN.

3/ ***Lindsey Elise Davey***, b 16 Apr 1986, New Orleans, LA.

C) ***Patricia Ann Seab***, b 22 June 1934, Natchez, MS, was raised by Kirk and Louise in Tallulah, LA after her mother's death, m 1st ___, m 2nd ***Marlin Moore***, div., lives W. Monroe, LA.

a) ***Stephen Moore***, b 9 Aug 1959, Eau Claire, WI, m 24 Dec 1988 ***Theresa Trichell***. [Theresa m 1st ___ and had Michael, Amy and Shelley].

b) ***Dorothy Ann Moore***, b 21 Oct 1964, West Monroe, LA, m 26 Apr 1990 ***Dennis West***.

c) ***Jane Ellen Moore***, b 8 Jan 1966, West Monroe, LA.

d) ***Kathryn Rene Moore***, b 10 Jan 1971, West Monroe, LA.

e) ***Marlene Rae Moore***, b 31 Aug 1972, West Monroe, LA.

D) ***Larry Wayne Seab***, made highest score in state of LA on his CPA exam, b 15 Sep 1937, Roxie, MS, raised by Kirk and Louise Seab after his mother's death, m 1st 9 Aug 1958 ***Ann Janet Humphries***, div., dau of ***T. W. Humphries*** and ***Ethel Hammack***, m 2nd in Las Vegas, NV on 22 Aug 1974 ***Dorothy Ann Tauscher***, b 13 Sep 1947, La Cross, WI, dau of ***Maynard Tauscher*** and ***Kathleen Valentine***. Dorothy m 1st ***Scott Groves*** and had a son ***Todd Groves***, b 20 Nov 1969, LaCross, WS. Live Monroe, LA.

a) ***Larry Wayne Seab, Jr.***, b 6 June 1959, m in West Monroe, LA on 13 Sep 1979 ***Debbie Garner***, b 17 Nov 1958, West Monroe, dau of ***Wilbur Lee Garner*** and ***Betty Lou Mae Murphy***. Larry supplied information on his family.

1/ ***Jessica Nicole Seab***, b 24 Apr 1982, West Monroe, LA.

2/ ***Larry Wayne Seab III***, b 25 Jan 1988, Monroe, LA.

b) ***Raymond Scott Seab***, b 24 Oct 1965.

6) ***Cornelia Irene "Nenie" Seab***, (Katie Cornelia in the Bible record) b 10 Mar 1897 in old Seab homeplace near Roxie and raised there, d 13 Aug 1977, bur Roxie Cemetery. She lived from 1931 until death in the old Joseph Seab home. She m 1st in Franklin Co. MS 18 Aug 1912 (Fr. Co. Bk 4-242 by T. E. Summers, M.G.) ***James Omar Wood***, b 27 Dec 1891, Kemper Co., MS, d May 1971, son of (Dr.) ***John Harrison Wood*** and ***Emma Permelia Tinsley***, div 1938. James Omar Wood m 2nd ***Genevieve Carpenter*** of New Augusta, MS. Cornelia Irene Seab m 2nd Natchez 5 May 1954 ***Willie Pierce Miller***, b 1 Oct 1906 near Minden, LA, d Dec 1988, Dixon, KY, bur Roxie Cemetery, Roxie, MS, son of ***Milan Wesley Miller*** and ***Pearl Garland***, separated. [Willie Pierce Miller m 1st ***Viola Morgan*** and had the following issue who were raised by the father: ***James Wesley Miller***, b 25 May 1940, Minden, LA, ***Nancy Kay Miller***, b 29 Dec 1942, Minden, ***Peggy Sue Miller***, b 15 May 1945, Minden.] The descendants of Cornelia Irene "Nenie" Seab Wood are as follows:

A) ***Emma Pauline Wood***, b 6 July 1916, Roxie, MS, d 17 Mar 1988, Baton Rouge, LA, cremated, ashes Roxie Cemetery, Roxie, MS, m 18 May 1834 ***Nathaniel Walter Farr***, b 29 Apr 1914, McNair, MS, d Easter Sunday 1893, Houston, TX, son of ***Nathaniel Kennison Farr*** and ***Sally Ethel Guice***, lived Baton Rouge, LA. She had the Bible of our immigrant Joseph Seab in her possession at her death.

a) ***Nennie Ruth Farr***, b 21 Jan 1938, Georgetown, Copiah, MS, m 30 May 1959 ***Philip Anthony Thompson***, son of ***C. V. Thompson*** and ***Florence Harding*** of Baton Rouge and formerly of Birmingham, AL, m 2nd in Baton Rouge, LA 10 Mar 1990 ***Hoyd Carrville***. She presented the Bible of our immigrant Joseph Seab to Natalie Myers Dec. 1988. Natalie has since given it to Murray Seab of Natchez, MS.

1/ ***Travis Hardy Thompson***, b 3 Oct 1968, Baton Rouge, LA.

2/ ***Jena Pauline Thompson***, b 18 Sep 1972, Baton Rouge, LA.

b) ***Judith Kay Farr***, b 25 Feb 1946, Baton Rouge, LA, d 22 June 1981, Baton Rouge, LA, m in Baton Rouge ***Andrew Willis Badeaux, Jr.***, b 22 July 1946, Baton Rouge, son of ***Andrew Willis Badeaux, Sr.*** and ***Doris Morris***. He m 2nd ***Brenda Marie Rollo***.

1/ ***Andrew Morris Badeaux***, b 26 Sep 1967, Baton Rouge, LA, m 14 July 1990, Jena, LA ***Paige Lee Anne McCartney***, b 27 May 1969, Alexandria, LA, dau of ***Kenneth McCartney*** and ***Geraldine Carson***.

2/ ***Bradley Nathaniel Badeaux***, b 27 Jan 1973, Baton Rouge, LA.

B) ***Natalie Evelyn Wood***, b 4 Aug 1924, Georgetown, MS, m in St. Francisville, LA 13 Apr 1941 ***Leslie Ray Myers***, b 29 May 1918, Meadville, MS, d 23 Jan.1964, Pineville, LA, bur Midway Cemetery, Meadville, MS, son of ***Millard Ellard Myers*** and ***Lucy Temple*** of Meadville, MS. She lives Brookhaven, MS and is interested in family history.

a) ***Katherine "Kathie" Irene Myers***, b 23 Mar 1943, New Orleans, LA, m 1st in TX 3 May 1959 ***John Robert Clark***, div 1976, m 2nd 5 Feb 1977 ***Henry L. Reese***, live Waskom, TX.

1/ ***John Randall "Randy" Clark***, b 27 Jan 1960, d 23 June 1968, age 8, at St. Jude's, Memphis, TN.

b) ***Maureen Adele Myers***, b 20 Mar 1951, Bay City, TX, m 1st 27 May 1970 ***Billy A. Gorman*** of Shreveport, LA, div. 1978, m 2nd Dec. 1979 ***Charles Carr Grubb***, attorney for the City of Shreveport, b 19 May 1946 OK (or New Orleans, LA). son of ***Carl*** and ***Grace Grubb***.
1/ ***Jennifer Adele Gorman***, b 31 Mar 1976, Shreveport, LA.

2/ ***Julie Katherine Grubb***, b 11 Feb 1983, Shreveport, LA.

3/ ***Jason Carl Grubb***, b 12 Mar 1988, Shreveport, LA.

7) ***Joseph Kirk Seab, Sr.***, wholesale grocery business and worked with LA Dept of Highways, b 19 July 1899, Roxie, MS, d 17 May 1988, Baton Rouge, LA, m at Rayville, LA 10 June 1933 ***Alice Louise Field***, medical technologist, b 9 Jan 1908, Centerville, MS, d 17 Aug 1989, Murfreesboro, both bur Field Cemetery, Norwood, LA, dau of ***Leroy Cecelius Field*** and ***Eula Cox***. They lived in Tallulah, LA to 1957, Baton Rouge, LA 1988 & 1989, then to TN.

A) ***Joseph Kirk Seab, Jr.***, marketing, sales, application engineer for electrical products, b 21 Mar 1937, Vicksburg, MS, lives 3742 General Court, Murfreesboro, TN, m at Concord, NH 21 Dec 1968 ***Dianne Elaine Poirier***, in real estate, b 18 Nov 1946, Dublin, GA, dau of ***Robert George Poirier*** and ***Monteen Gilder***.

a) ***Kelly Bianca Seab*** (female), b 4 Sep 1971, Ridley Park, PA.

b) ***Kerry Joseph Seab*** (male), b 24 Feb 1973, Chester, PA.

B) ***Richard Trebman Seab***, b 17 Mar 1941, Vicksburg, m at Baton Rouge 22 June 1962 ***Elizabeth Faye Freiberg***, b 3 Aug 1942, Baton Rouge, dau of ***Milton Stacy Freiberg*** and ***Cathryn Marie Falconer***, live 11077 E. Vieux, Baton Rouge, LA. He supplied information on his family.

a) ***Elizabeth Stacy Seab***, b 2 Jan 1964, Baton Rouge, LA, m 2 Sep 1989, Baton Rouge, LA ***Ernest Alfred Jones***, b 12 Eec 1964, son of ***Edward Joseph Jones*** and ***Thelma Rose Vallot***.

b) ***Christopher Scott Seab***, b 25 Nov 1967, Baton Rouge, LA.

8) ***Edgar Lamar Seab***, b 26 Dec 1901, d 1952, bur Roxie Cemetery, unmarried. He worked 40 years in Detroit, MI.

A newspaper clipping, date and source lost, survives for him:
LARMAR E. SEAB, ROXIE, Miss. (Special) - Services for Lamar E. Seab, 60, retired employee of the Chrysler Corporation of Detroit, Mich., were held yesterday afternoon at Roxie with interment following in the Roxie Cemetery. Seab, who died Wednesday afternoon in Meadville after a long illness, had lived in Detroit for 40 years before moving to Roxie this year. Survivors include two brothers, Carl Seab of Greenwood, J. K. Seab of Greenwood, J. K. Seab of Baton Rouge, and two sisters, Mrs. S. Brumfield of Bogue Chitto and Mrs. Willie Miller of Roxie.

9) ***Mildred Seab***, b 8 May 1905 near Roxie, MS, d 15 Apr 1979, m 10 Oct 1926, ***Sandy Bickham Brumfield***, b 3 Apr 1895, Norfield, Lincoln Co., MS, d 26 Apr 1973, Brookhaven, MS, bur Moak's Creek Baptist Cemetery, Bogue Chitto, MS, son of ***Jesse William Brumfield*** and ***Samanthy Roberts***.

A) ***Harold Duane Brumfield***, b 12 Aug 1927, Detroit, MI, m in Cape Town, South Africa 30 Jan 1969 ***Angelina Marcia Searle***, b 2 Mar 1939, Port Elizabeth, South Africa, live Houston, TX, lived Cape Town, S. Africa.

a) ***Bonnie Lee Brumfield***, b 11 Feb 1971, Cape Town, S. Africa.

b) ***Mark Duane Brumfield***, b 30 June 1972, Cape Town, S. Africa.

c) ***Lisa Joy Brumfield***, b 8 Feb 1974, Houston, TX.

B) ***Sanford Lee Brumfield***, b 29 Aug 1928, Roxie, MS, m Aug 1956 ***Velma Webster Corbett***, lives Houston, TX.

a) ***Dorothy Brumfield***.

b) ***Mary Ann Brumfield***.

c) ***Patsy Brumfield***.

C) ***Joseph Jessie Brumfield***, b 14 Oct 1929, Tylertown, Pike, MS, m at Bogue Chitto, MS 11 Nov 1953 ***Guy Nell Langston***, b 19 Oct 1934, Summit, Pike Co., MS, dau of ***Guy Monroe Langston*** and ***Julia Rand***, live Atlanta, GA.

a) ***Joseph Ricky Brumfield***, b 18 July 1957, SC.

b) ***Pamela Nell Brumfield***, b 10 June 1968.

D) ***Julian Kirk "Pete" Brumfield***, U. S. Air Force, b 12 Feb 1933, Norfield, Lincoln, MS, m 20 June 1907 ***Shirley Buckanon*** from Roswell, MN, lives Phoenix, AZ.

a) ***Douglas Lee Brumfield***, b 13 Feb 1958, Warner Robins, GA.

b) ***Brian Keith Brumfield***, b 29 Apr 1963, CA.

E) ***Margaret Emma Brumfield***, b 22 May 1934, Norfield, MS, m 1st at Norfield 25 Sep 1953 ***Roland Noel Lambert***, b 20 Jan 1933, Monticello, MS, son of ***Charles Noel Lambert*** and ***Audrey Kees***, div., m 2nd ***Robert Noel Leeper***, live Kansas City, MO.

a) ***Terry Lynn Lambert***, b 11 Sep 1955, Albany, GA.

b) ***Robert Noel Leeper, Jr.***, b 19 Apr 1960, Holyoke, MA.

c) ***Cynthia Lea Leeper***, b 3 Oct 1962, Holyoke, MA.

d) ***Lisa Leeper***, b 5 Apr 1967, Hattiesburg, MS.

F) ***Mildred Irene Brumfield***, b 24 Apr 1937, Norfield, MS, m in Hawaii 13 Sep 1956 ***Donald Smith*** div., m 2nd ***John Legget***, live Jackson, MS.

a) ***Robert Wayne Smith***, b 28 Jan 1958, Jackson, MS.

b) ***Donna Sue Smith***, b 5 June 1962, Jackson, MS.

G) ***Laura Ruth Brumfield***, b 20 Nov 1938, Norfield, m 6 Feb 1960 ***Jewel Alexander***, son of ***Adrian*** and ***Bessie Alexander*** from Ruth, MS, live Summit, MS.

a) ***Sandra Jean Alexander***, b 10 Nov 1960, Summit, MS.

b) ***Kenneth Randall Alexander***, b 10 Feb 1962, Summit, MS.

H) ***Joe Seab Brumfield***, b 1 Apr 1942, Norfield, live Bogue Chitto, MS.

I) ***Robert Edseh "Ed" Brumfield***, senior vice president of bank, b 28 May 1943, Norfield, MS, live Bogue Chitto, MS, not married.

J) ***Marilyn Sue Brumfield***, b 4 Dec 1946, Norfield, MS, m at Newhebron, MS 1 Dec 1970 ***Willie Mullins***, son of ***Charles Mullins*** and ***Sippy Dampier***, live New Hebron, MS.

a) ***Sandy Ann Mullins***, b 21 May 1972, Brookhaven, MS.

b) ***Cynthia Gail Mullins***, b 15 July 1975, Brookhaven, MS.

K) ***Cheryl Ann Brumfield***, b 30 July 1948, Norfield, m at Jayess, MS ____, live Bogue Chitto, MS.

ALICE ROENA SEAB/
John Quitman Graves, Jr.

Chapter 9

Alice Roena Seab was the 9th child of Joseph Seab and Helena Maria or Mary Nienaber, b 23 Sep 1866 near Roxie, MS, d 3 August 1916 in Franklin Co., MS, m in Franklin Co. MS, 22 Dec 1885 (Bk 7-121 by F. H. Darsey JP, E. H. Wentworth, wit.) ***John Quitman Graves, Jr.***, postmaster at Roxie, MS, b 22 Sep 1862, Franklin Co., MS, d 9 July 1916, Roxie, both bur Old Union Baptist Church Cemetery in Franklin Co., son of ***John Quitman Graves, Sr.*** and ***Sicily Mississippi Darsey***. John Q. Graves, Sr. deeded land for the railroad right-of-way through the town of Roxie. The town of Roxie was named for his daughter Roxie Mississippi Graves, b 18 Mar 1860, d 5 Oct 1884. Alice Roena Seab was sister of Helena Marie Seab who married William Henry Graves, brother to John Quitman Graves, Jr.

1870 Fr.Co.,MS p88 #1187 Graves, J. Q. 31 MS; C. M. 27 f MS; W. H. 13 m; R. N. 10 f; J. Q. Jr. 7 m; S. C. 5 f MS.

1900 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.49-2 p23 Beat 1 in Roxie #37 Graves, John Q. Jr. Sep 1862, 37 m 14 yrs MS MS MS, postmaster at Roxie; Alice R. wife Sep 1866, 33, m 14 yrs 6 children 5 living MS GER GER; Minnie R. dau Dec 1886, 14; Mary S. dau Aug 1888, ll; Earnest 4 July 1890, 9; Joseph A. son Aug 1893, 6; Conaly J. son Aug 1896, 3; Ephraim L. Hester boarder Dec 1873, 26, single MS MS MS.

1910 Fr.Co.,MS, at Roxie E.D.61-2 #38 p.15 Graves, J. Q. 48 md once 24 yrs MS MS MS; Alice R. wife 41 md once 24 yrs 8 children 6 living MS GER GER; Minnie dau 23 single MS MS MS; Mary dau 21; Joe A. son 16; Conley son 14; Kirby M. son 3.

Alice Roena Seab and ***John Quitman Graves*** had issue:

1) ***Minnie Roxie Graves***, b 22 Dec 1886, Franklin Co., MS, d July 1955, m in Roxie, MS 16 June 1912 ***Grover Cleveland Bounds***, b 11 Apr 1888 at Talowa, Lamar Co., MS, d 4 Nov 1934 Leland, Washington Co., MS, where he is buried, son of ***James Henry Bounds*** and ***Nancy P. Lee***.

2) ***Mary Sicily Graves***, b 25 Aug 1888, Franklin Co., MS, d 26 Jan 1964, bur Roxie Cemetery, Franklin Co., MS, m at Roxie (Bk. 7-256) 4 July 1930 ***Ernest Edgar Flowers***, b 27 Dec. 1884, Eddiceton(?), MS, son of ***Frank Flowers*** and ___ ***Sullivan***. No children. Ernest Edgar Flowers m 1st 18 Sep 1907 ***Millie Cupit***, b c.1889.

3) ***Ernest Henry Graves, Sr.***, b 3 July 1890, Franklin Co., MS, d 1 Apr 1959, bur Clovis, NM, m at Stampley, MS 11 Aug 1911 ***Effie Irene Terry***, b 29 Aug 1890, McNair, MS, d 26 Mar 1941, Tunica, MS, dau of ***Newton Terry*** and ***Lorena Gordon***, m 2nd _____.

4) ***Daughter Graves***, b 13 July 1892, Franklin Co., MS, d 19 Aug 1892, bur Old Union Baptist Church Cemetery, Franklin Co., MS.

5) ***Joseph Augustus "Budd" Graves***, b 24 Aug 1894, Franklin Co., MS, d 23 July 1976, bur Roxie Cemetery, Franklin Co. His WWI draft card stated he was hard of hearing and slightly mentally deranged.

6) ***John Conley Graves, Sr.***, b 16 Aug 1896, Franklin Co., MS, d 7 Nov. 1974, bur Old Union Baptist Church Cemetery, Franklin Co., MS, m 1st at Meadville, MS 24 Dec 1916 ***Maxie Ollie Smylie***, b 27 Oct 1897, Roxie, dau of ***David Winfield Smylie*** and ***Katherine (Catherine) Aldridge***, m 2nd in Franklin Co., MS, 28 Nov 1942, Franklin Co. (9-216)_____.

7) ***Kirby Maxwell Graves, Sr.***, b 23 Jan 1907, Roxie, MS, m in Indianola, MS 1 July 1928 ***April Pauline Donnell***, b 5 Apr 1909, Rankin Co., MS, dau of ***Oliver Ozark Donnell*** and ***Annie Louisa Gates***.

Mrs. Barbara Celotto of Groton, CT has assisted very much with the Graves family. She is preparing a Graves book.

Descendants of ***Alice Roena Seab*** and ***John Quitman Graves, Jr.***:

1) ***Minnie Roxie Graves***, b 22 Dec 1886, Franklin Co., MS, d July 1955, m at Roxie, MS (Bk. 4-231 by W. H. Young, M.G.) 16 June 1912 ***Grover Cleveland Bounds***, b 11 Apr 1888, Talowa, Lamar Co., MS, d 4 Nov 1934, Leland, Washington Co., MS where he is buried, son of ***James Henry Bounds*** and ***Nancy P. Lee***.

A) ***Frances Elaine Bounds***, retired statistician, USDA, b 24 May 1915, Midnight, Humphreys Co., MS, lives Leland, MS.

B) ***Mary Alyce Bounds***, b 7 Oct 1917, Roxie, MS, m at Leland, MS 31 Aug 1941, ***Benjamin Franklin Smith, Jr.***, b 22 Dec 1917, Holcomb, MS, son of ***Benjamin Franklin Smith, Sr.*** and ***Susan Alice DeShazo***, live 405 Huddleston, Leland, MS.

a) ***James Winfred Smith***, b 27 Jan 1943, Greenwood, MS, m ***Greer Ann Jones***, b 7 Dec 1945, Fredrick, OK, dau of ***Walker Jones*** and ***Gale Greer.***

1/ ***Sheryl Elizabeth "Sherry" Smith***, b 18 Sep 1968, Baton Rouge, LA.

2/ ***Ben Walker Smith***, b 4 Jan 1972, Cleveland, MS.

3/ ***Hunter McKeithen Smith***, b 18 Nov. 1984, Greenville, MS.

b) ***Lelia Elaine "LeLaine" Smith***, b 31 Mar 1951, Greenwood, MS, m ***John William Weilenman, Jr.***, b 8 July 1947, Memphis, TN, son of ***John W. Weilenman*** and ***Leo Terry***.

1/ ***Mary Amanda Weilenman***, b 13 Nov 1976, Leland, MS.

2/ ***John William Weilenman III***, b 13 Feb 1982, Indianola, MS.

3/ ***Susan Alyce Weilenman***, b 1 Feb 1987, Indianola, MS.

2) ***Mary Sicily Graves***, b 25 Aug 1888, Franklin Co., MS, d 26 Jan 1964, bur Roxie Cemetery, Franklin Co., MS, m at Roxie (Bk. 7-256) 4 July 1930 ***Ernest Edgar Flowers***, b 27 Dec. 1885, Eddiceton(?), MS, son of ***Frank Flowers*** and ___ ***Sullivan***. Ernest Edgar Flowers m 1st 18 Sep 1907 ***Millie Cupit***, b c.1889. They had no children.

3) ***Ernest Henry Graves, Sr.***, b 3 July 1890, Franklin Co., MS, d 1 Apr 1959, bur Clovis, NM, m at Stampley, MS 11 Aug 1911 ***Effie Irene Terry***, b 29 Aug 1890, McNair, MS, d 26 Mar 1941, Tunica, MS, dau of ***Newton Terry*** and ***Lorena Gordon***, m 2nd 21 July 1940 ***Inez Grace Owens***, b 16 Dec 1909, Nashville, AR, dau of ***John Walter Owens*** and ***Dona Beatrice Powers***, by whom no children. They live New Mexico. The children are by the first wife.

A) ***Ernest Henry Graves, Jr.***, b 29 Aug 1914, Vicksburg, Warren Co., MS, d c.1979 FL, m at Vicksburg, MS 3 Apr 1941 ***Lida Allen Whitehead***, b 21 Nov 1913, Winona, MS, dau of ***Grey M. Whitehead*** and ***Lida Allen***. No children. Lived Florida.

B) ***Paul Terry Carlton Graves***, oil company employee, b 15 Jan 1916, Elizabeth, Washington Co., MS, m 26 Oct. 1939 ***Mary Virginia Shelby***, b 26 Oct 1919, Jonestown, MS, d 1980s, dau of ***Carlton P. Shelby*** and ***Mary Franc Coile*** of Clarksdale, MS. He lives Memphis, TN.

a) ***Terry C. Graves***, b 22 Sep 1942, Memphis, TN.

b) ***Virginia Shelby Graves***, b 14 Jan 1944, Memphis, TN.

C) ***Sidney "Sid" Foster Graves, Sr.***, b 15 Aug 1918, Elizabeth, Washington Co., MS, d Sep 1982, m 17 Mar 1945 ***Sara Susan Peterson***, b 12 Dec 1923, Milton, PA, dau of ***Francis Albert Peterson*** and ***Grace Edith Satteson***. She lives Clarksdale, MS.

a) ***Sidney Foster Graves, Jr.***, b 11 May 1946, Memphis, TN, m 1st ***Cynthia Tollison***, div. 1989, m 2nd Oct. 1989 ***Charjean Laughlin***, b 8 July 1955, Jennings, LA, dau of ***John Laughlin*** and ***Jeannine Lackey***. live 325 Maple, Clarksdale, MS.

1/ ***Martha Abigail Graves***, b 22 May 1974, Columbia, Marion Co., MS.

b) ***Glenda Sue Graves***, b 21 Apr 1949, Memphis, TN, m ***Michael O'Keefe***, live 842 Catalpa, Clarksdale, MS.

1/ ***Carrie Greer O'Keefe***, b 1976, Memphis, TN.

6) ***John Conley Graves, Sr.***, b 16 Aug 1896, Franklin Co., MS, d 7 Nov 1974, bur Old Union Baptist Church Cemetery, Franklin Co., MS, m 1st at Meadville, MS 24 Dec 1916 (Bk.5-160 by D. W. Hunt JP) ***Mazie Ollie Smylie***, b 27 Oct 1897, Roxie, MS, dau of ***David Winfield Smylie*** and ***Catherine L. Aldridge***, m 2nd in Franklin Co., MS 28 Nov 1942 (Bk 9-216, he age 46, she 45))

1900 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.49-17 Beat 1 #292 Smylie, David Oct 1854, 45, m 18 yrs MS MS MS; Tabitha C. wife Feb 1862, 38, md 18 yrs 7 children 5 living MS MS MS; Culver son Jan 1883, 17; Martha dau Feb 1883, 17; Vadis dau May 1887, 13; Sallie dau Mar 1889, 11; Mazie dau May 1897, 3.

1910 Fr.Co.,MS E.D.61-18 Beat 1 p.31 #332 Smylie, David 55, md once 28 yrs MS MS MS; Catherine wife 46 md once 28 yrs 8 children 6 living MS MS MS; Veda dau 23, Mazie dau 12; Mary dau 8; Robert son 6.

A) ***John Q. Graves***, colonel on the Governor's staff in KY, b 10 Oct 1917, Roxie, MS, d 21 Dec 1987, Louisville, KY, bur Zachary Taylor National Cemetery, Louisville, m at Roxie, ***Mary L. Click***, div. 19 Feb 1946, Franklin Co., MS (Probate Bk. 6-610). Lived 1688 Harold Ave., Louisville, KY.

a) ***Linda Graves***, m ___ ***Edwards***. div.

1/ ***Shelly Edwards.***

b) ***Karen Graves***, m ___ ***Slusher,*** div.

B) ***Earnest Malcom Graves***, Marine WWII, b 15 Jan 1920, Roxie, MS, m at Roxie, MS 26 Dec 1949, ***Myrtle Mae Pevey***, b 23 Mar 1928, Meadville, MS, dau of ***Fordie Sidney Pevey*** and ***Lena Mae*** ___. Lived Lafayette St., Natchez.

a) ***Nora Patrice Graves***, b 28 Nov 1950, Natchez, MS, m 6 June 1974 ***Don Seagrove*** of Pulaski, TN.

1/ ***Christopher Patrick Seagrove***, b 26 Aug 1977.

2/ ***Stephen Bradford Seagrove***, b 17 Jan 1981.

3/ ***Tristan Patrice Seagrove***, b 2 Feb 1984.

b) ***Robert "Bob" Malcom Graves***, b 1 Aug 1953, Natchez, MS, m 6 Apr 1974 ***Susan Deal***, b 13 Dec 1954, of Vidalia, LA.

1/ ***Jason Brian Graves***, b 23 Aug 1975.

2/ ***Justin Phillip Graves***, b 17 Aug 1978.

c) ***Barton Keith Graves***, b 20 Sep 1964, m 30 Mar 1985 ***Kimberly Randall***, b 28 June 19__.

1/ ***Ryan Keith Graves***, b 19 Sep 1985.

C) ***Charles Chamberlain Graves***, US Navy WWII, b 18 Feb 1924, Roxie, MS, m at Natchez MS 4 Oct 1946 (FF-566) ***Doris Evelyn Johnston***, b 28 Mar 1927, Winnsboro, Franklin Parish, LA, dau of ***James Hanford Johnston*** and ***Emma Florence Young***, live Pine Ridge Rd., Natchez, MS.

a) ***Charles Ray Graves***, b 16 Apr 1948, Natchez, MS, m 31 May 1970 ***Janice Lee***, b 8 July 1952, live abroad, now in Jakarta, Indonesia.

1/ ***Tara Lynn Graves***, b 16 May 1973.

2/ ***Shana Nichole Graves***, b 29 Jan 1975.

3/ ***Charles Adam Graves***, b 18 Sep 1977.

b) ***Billy Ralph Graves***, b 25 Nov. 1949, Natchez, MS, m 24 Mar 1970 ***Margaret Ann Strahan***, b 4 May 1950, live Morgantown Rd., Natchez.

1/ ***Edward Chamberlain Graves***, b 4 Nov 1970.

2/ ***Steffanie Graves***, b 28 Oct 1973.

3/ ***Kelly Strahan Graves***, b 17 Dec 1983.

D) (Rev.) ***John Conley "J. C." Graves, Jr.***, b 19 Oct 1926, Roxie, m 6 July 1952 ***Mary Ann Lowry***, live Rt. 1 Box 162-A, Roxie, MS. He served Navy WWII on USS Ross ship, was postmaster at Roxie, MS 1951, then rural route until 1982 when he retired. He has Master of Divinity in Christian Education with emphasis on Family Ministries from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, KY, 1988, licensed by Roxie Baptist Church Sep 1986 and ordained by Hamburg Baptist Church in August 1988. He served as pastor of Conway Community Church, Salem, IN and as ass't Chaplain at the Masonic widows and Orphans Home and Infirmary in Louisville, KY. At present he is in Roxie, MS (Rt. 1, Box 162-A) in the home on hwy 33 on the place where Mary's grandfather, John Bunion Anderson was born.

a) (Rev.) ***James Anderson Graves***, b 20 Apr 1954, Roxie, MS. He is a Baptist minister, live 321 Laural, Centreville, MS, not married 1991.

b) ***Randy Edward Graves, Sr.***, electrical engineer, b 1 Aug 1957, m 14 June 1980 ***Rebecca "Becky" Diane Mason***, live 301 Ratcliff, Gloster, MS.

1/ ***Randy Edward Graves, Jr.***, b 25 Mar 1983.

2/ ***Jonathan Edward Graves***, b 7 Jan 1988.

c) ***John Paul Graves***, chemical engineer, b 5 Apr 1963, not married.

E) ***Robert Edgar "Buster" Graves***, US Airforce, Korean War, engineer, b 4 Oct 1930, Roxie, MS, live Huntsville, AL.

F) ***David Earl Graves***, retired US Navy, b 5 June 1941, Natchez, MS, m 7 Jan 1973 ***Patricia Elaine Bradley*** of Natchez, MS, b 29 July 1948, live Port Gibson, MS.

a) ***Amanda Gayle Graves***, b 24 Feb 1984.

7) ***Kirby Maxwell "Max" Graves, Sr.***, b 23 Jan 1907, Roxie, MS, m at Indianola, MS 1 July 1928 ***April Pauline Donnell***, b 5 Apr 1909, Rankin Co., MS, dau of ***Oliver Ozark Donnell*** and ***Annie Louisa Gates***, live Rt 2 Box 58A, Meadville, MS. He was postmaster in Roxie, MS for 40 years, retired July 1972. They assisted much on this branch of the family. See below for more on them.

A) ***Kirby Maxwell Graves, Jr.***, attorney in Meadville, MS, b 12 Feb 1937, Roxie, MS, m 1st 3 Aug 1958 ***Lenora Jean Davis***, b Starksville, MS, dau of ***John Herman Davis*** and ***Mildred Beatrice Blackwell***, div. 21 Oct 1981, m 2nd 3 Dec 1981 ***Dorothy Nell Wilson***, widow of ____, b 22 Aug 1942, d 21 July 1987, m 3rd 29 Dec 1989 ***Barbara Jean Nobles***. [Dorothy Nell Wilson has 3 children by her 1st husband: ***Tony***, ***Greg*** and ***Angie*** who m at age 15 and div. ***John Lovett***, has ***Christin***. Jean Davis Graves m 2nd ***Quentin Peterson***, b in Minnesota and live 1702 5th Ave., Laurel, MS.] The children of Kirby Maxwell Graves, Jr. are by the 1st wife.

a) ***John Maxwell Graves***, b 27 Feb 1959, Oxford, MS, m at Meridian, MS 21 May 1983 ***Barbara Gandy***, b 18 June 1960, Camp LeJuene, NC, dau of ***Donald Ray Gandy*** and ___ ***Nichols***. He sent in data on his family.

1/ ***John Micah Graves***, b 14 May 1988, Dallas, TX, live 2930 Carnaby Lane, Garland, TX.

b) ***Michael Kevin Graves***, b 11 Sep 1960, Laurel, MS, m at Vidalia, LA 5 Mar 1983 ***Melissa Savoy***, b 12 June 1963, Alexandria, LA, dau of ***Gilbert Savoy*** and ***Barbara Brown***, live 170 E. Griffith, Sterling Towers #409, Jackson, MS. He assisted with data on his family.

1/ ***Brittany Jane Graves***, b 23 Nov 1986, Natchez, MS.

c) ***Karen Leith Graves***, b 19 Jan 1962, m ***James Hollingsworth***, son of ***James G. Hollingsworth***, live Rt. 1, Meadville, MS.

1/ ***Brandon Hollingsworth***, b 6 Feb. 1986, Natchez, MS.

2/ ***Joseph Leith Hollingsworth***, b 14 Nov 1988, Natchez, MS.

Published in PRIME TIME, April 1990 and sent to me by Natalie Wood Myers is the following concerning Max and Pauline Graves. See 7) above.
YOU CAN'T KEEP A GOOD WOMAN DOWN, by Mary Lou Webb. Pauline Graves is living proof that you can't keep a good woman down.
At 81 this Thursday "Mother Polly" has suffered "tic douloeux" (facial neuralgia) requiring painful surgery, a detached retina that left her with very little sight in one eye, central vein thrombosis which destroyed sight in her other eye, and open heart surgery.
Don't count her out.
And don't expect her to feel sorry for herself.
"Dear me no. That's the easy way. I just keep on keeping on. Every day is another one given to me."
Pauline was born in Rankin County but life really began when her parents moved to "the Delta," at Leland. It was there she met this good looking fella who worked for the railroad.
"Max was born in Roxie but raised by his sister in Greenville. It didn't take me long to discover that those boys from Greenville would be over regularly to see us girls from Leland."
Max spotted her right off.
"He said he saw me riding in a Willys-Knight." She senses that I am not exactly familiar with that brand name. "Oh, let's see, that would probably be a Chrysler today. Anyway, it was not long after that, in 1928, that we got married."

That was right before the Depression, but Max had a claim agent's job with the railroad so they didn't have reason to be worried. He did not have seniority, though, and in the Fall of 1931 as the railroad began to feel the economic pinch he had to turn in his job to an older man.
Did they panic?
"Well, we didn't have time to. Max had a sister in Roxie who was postmaster. His sister in Greenville urged us to go to Roxie and try to get work there."
In January of 1932 Max got a post office job in Roxie making $50 a month. He had been there three months when a telegram came that the railroad in Greenville would set up an appointment for him to get his old job back.
"He handed me the telegram and said, 'You go over to the telegraph office and send our answer. It's whatever you want to do.' I cried all the way over there but I chose three words that I remember to this very day, I sent this: 'Please cancel appointment.'"
That simple message planned their lives.
"That day, 58 years ago, we made our choice to live and die in Franklin County."
Pauline, who had been a clerk during the Fall for Sam Stein Mercantile in the Delta, stayed home until their only child, Max, Jr., was four. "We had waited eight years for a child, and I wanted to enjoy him to the fullest."
Pauline's first job in Roxie came when the family moved to the apartment in Roxie Cash Grocery and she ran the store for L. L. Davis.
"I liked store work right away. In 3 1/2 years I was ready to buy one or start my own."
She set up her first personal store by the old post office. "Actually, I turned the barber shop into a grocery store when the barber left."
Roxie was quite a town.
"We had freight trains and passenger trains running every day. Logs were piled up in town waiting to be shipped. There were three big grocery stores and a couple of those were general stores. Newman Scott had a drug store, and Charles Seab had the picture show."
Days were long, especially Saturdays.
"It was nothing to work until 10 o'clock Saturday night. You stayed open as long as the people came to town."
Three and a half years of this and Pauline (or maybe her feet) thought she was ready to go home to stay. The family had built a house in Roxie, and Pauline wanted to enjoy it.
"That was 1947 and Max was just making $105 a month. It didn't take us long to see that we just couldn't make it on that."
This time Pauline tried a different field. "I went to work in the post office as substitute clerk. The only trouble was, I was substituting for Max! This meant, of course, that we couldn't spend any time together."
Four people who took the Civil Service exam for the permanent post office job passed: Pauline, Esther Prather, Charles Graves, and Jewel Hester. Esther decided to go to Washington, D. C., Charles also went elsewhere, and Pauline decided the post office was just not for her. "Jewel Hester got the job and I was delighted."
Did I mention that most of this time while store keeping and working in the post office, Pauline was also Town Clerk of Roxie?
"I need to tell you I ran for mayor, too, in 1948. My opponent and I tied twice. It was on the national news. Then they decided to set the election between Thanksgiving and Christmas and some of my votes were teachers who boarded in Roxie and went home for the holidays. I finally lost out that way."
She is not sorry.

"Oh no, I really won when you consider I got such a wonderful vote in a time when women were not running for mayor. In fact, Max's uncle told me, 'Pauline, I like you, but I don't think the mayor is any place for a woman."
If she helped to "pave the way," Pauline is grateful.
"Women are just as capable as men in knowing what goes on and maybe more sensitive. I'm glad we have come to realize that."
Pauline went back to clerking in a couple of stores. "I helped Norman Walker out in her store while she had Eddie, and then I worked for Allen and Evelyn Hammack."
She tried her own business then, a fabric store where Woodyear Chain Saw is today. "I had always loved to sew, and I guess I really hit it at a great time--double knit was in full bloom."
A regular in the shop each week was Mrs. Frances Gaugh, who published the Franklin Advocate and also owned a small store building in Meadville next to Herring Gas.
"Mrs. Gaugh brought the Advocates in my store every week. I knew she had this building that had been vacant in Meadville a long time. Every week I would ask her if she would rent it to me, but she always said she would have to think about it. Then one week she came in and said she had decided what she wanted in her building - a fabric shop!"
That decision took Pauline and others by surprise.
"Carey Graves told me he didn't know how many people had tried to rent that building from her. I guess she thought a fabric store was needed."
For the next 12 1/2 years Mrs. Gaugh was right, as Pauline commuted to work and her clientele grew.
"Mary Lou, I guess you could say I finally found my niche. If there was anything I enjoyed more than being in my store it was the drive back and forth. I used that time to say my prayers, collect my thoughts, and enjoy all that beauty. It used to bring tears to my eyes to see those beautiful trees along the highway."
It was as if God gave her extra time to see the beauty before her eyesight grew dim.
"I am grateful for those days. They are still very much in my memory."
Pauline hated to give up her shop, but she had suffered a painful bout with facial neuralgia, and Max had been through a heart attack. Pauline saw the need to give their health her full attention. This meant also cutting back on her civic work which had included Franklin Woman's Club. She had served as president two times, during which the flea market was begun and the Jr. Woman's Club started.
She also realized she had to be less active in church but she refused to stop going, even when her eyesight worsened. "I believe church life makes your whole life well rounded. Max and I had loved our church and we just couldn't stay away."
Their health problems forced them to make a decision about their home. "It was becoming very hard for me to get around without help because my vision was failing. Max had to take medicine after his heart attack. By this time there was no drug store in Roxie. So we decided to move to Meadville because Max, Jr. was here and we could be close to the doctor."
Pauline says she and Max once had big plans for their retirement. "We had wanted to travel, but as it turned out, we weren't able to get far from Dr. Schmidt after Max got sick."
"Dr. Schmidt said if I kept working somebody would be following behind me playing sad music one of these days," says Max. He chuckles. "That man sure is something. I miss him since he retired."
Pauline says moving to Meadville will never mean she and Max don't love Roxie. "Not a day goes by that we don't talk about our life there and the friends we will always be grateful for."

Today Pauline and Max compliment each other more than ever. He is her eyes and she is his ears. They make quite a team, as they have for 61 years come this July.
"He takes good care of me. You know, when you get older and you really come to lean on each other, you realize what a 50-50 proposition marriage really is."
If she could live part of her life over, what would Pauline do differently?
"Oh, lots of things. I'd take back works said in anger. I'd know how silly carrying a grudge is, and I would never do it." Then as if remembering that road between Meadville and Roxie once more, she adds, "I would see every tree, every ounce of beauty, to last a lifetime."

SEAB FAMILY OF GERMANY

Chapter 10

Nothing has been proved to connect our Joseph Seab to his people in Germany. May Seab Latham, daughter of August Seab who visited sometimes with her grandmother Helena Maria (Mary) Seab, and the early researching members of the Mary Catherine Seab Seale Jones family believed he was from Munich or the Hamburg, Germany area. May Latham wrote in July 1954 that she thought the Seabs were from St. Petersburg, now Leningrad, which was known as Petrograd.

However, Natalie Wood Myers, great granddaughter of Joseph Seab who lived much of her life in the old Joseph Seab home and knew the traditions claimed by Carl Seab, grandson of Joseph Seab who also was reared in the Joseph Seab home, believed he came from an area near Lindern, Germany as he knew his bride-to-be while they both lived in Germany. He was able to persuade her and her family to emigrate to Franklin Co., MS. This last assumption seemed to make much sense though mail order brides were not unheard of back then. Certainly, Helena Maria Nienaber's father appears to have come prominently into the plans as arrangements were made for the whole family to be transported at Joseph Seab's expense.

Helena Maria lived 25 years after the death of Joseph. Though Joseph all his life seemed bent in covering his German roots so that all he told his family can be in question, one wonders why his widow would not want to set the record straight. Did she feel duty bound to uphold his desires even so many years after his death? All families had some things they handled as skeletons and it is possible she, too, did not want to pass on to future generations some things that we, of the 3rd and 4th generations, look on only as interesting facts of our family.

A primary way to prove an immigrant is through his birthdate. Though the birthdate of our Joseph Seab varies in the two early records we have -- his gravestone and as recorded in the August Seab Bible -- the date December 24th is the same on both. I have been told that many people from Prussia fleeing compulsory military rule changed their birthdates. They seemed to favor a Christmas birthday. The December 24th birthdate for Joseph is highly suspicious of his having changed his birthday.

May Seab Latham wrote that his father was a captain killed by Napolean's army in the Battle of Waterloo. Our researcher in Germany looked for a record on a Seab (all spellings) and said there was no Seab killed in that Battle. Because of the fear Joseph had of the Prussian military, is it possible that he himself deserted from the Prussian military?

Tradition says he arrived in New York City. Passenger lists were searched for him from early 1800s when the lists were required to be kept until 1840 when he showed on the Franklin Co., MS census. Arriving on 5 Jan 1837 from Bremen, Germany was J. G.(?) Seppe, age 36, carpenter from Prussia headed for the United States on the Gallent Flora. Age 26 would be more logical for

our Joseph. Could I have misinterpreted the age? But there is no way to prove it, nor is there any significant data in this record for us. You will note later in this chapter there was a Joseph Seep who left in 1836 an area where our Joseph Seab could have been. He most likely was the J. G? Seppe of this passenger list. If so, this Joseph was actually 20 years old. This is a logical age to migrate. But again, nothing ever seems to jibe in the Seab family. I know of no way to prove this Joseph is ours or not.

Traditions in the family state he left Prussia at ages varying from 9 to 18. Also that he sent to Germany for his bride-to-be which throws doubt (but does not disprove) the earliest ages. All tradition states he found employment on arrival working on the railroad, helping to lay the track between New York City and Chicago. Again, it cannot be stated with any certainty that a young boy would not be hired, but it would take a man to cut the timber for the ties and lay the heavy iron rails. He apparently earned enough to purchase team, wagon and merchandise to start his peddling business. But if he took a steamboat down the Mississippi River to Natchez, he probably did not start his business until he reached Natchez.

Why did he chose Natchez? Many people chose to live near relatives or close friends. Relatives or friends could be a clue of where an ancestor came from, but not necessarily as the tie could be only their common native tongue - the German language. Because nothing was found to aid us in our search, these records are found later in this chapter in the Appendix for those who might wish to study this further.

Knowing where our Nienaber family came from (Lindern in Province of Oldenburg, GER) made it easy to find their forebears. The research for this family had to be hired as the library in Salt Lake City had none of the records for Lindern, which is a small town in the Province of Oldenburg. When I learned that Joseph, probably having severed all relations with his own family in Prussia, sent for his bride-to-be, it seemed logical that he knew the Nienaber family before he sailed.

As the Nienaber research was already done, I wrote our Seab problem to our researcher in Germany. Our researcher was a retired engineer, Hellmuth Rehme, Bauoberamtmann i.R., 459 Cloppenburg, Postfach 1272. Mr. Rehme had worked 15 years on a drainage problem near Fladderlohausen and knew a family he thought was ours. He noted also that Fladderlohausen at the time Joseph was born in Prussia was located in Prussia, that the line dividing Prussia and Germany was somewhere between Fladderlohausen and Lindern. The genealogist in Salt Lake City stated to me that the 40 kilometers or so between Fladderlohausen and Lindern was not so great as to preclude Joseph being acquainted with the Nienaber family. See maps in the Appendix.

Dr. and Mrs. William C. Colon of Jonesville, LA financed the work Mr. Rehme did on this family. The record from Germany can be seen in this chapter. I rejected it at the time I received it as there seemed to be nothing in it that could logically, even in our circumstances, be a tie that would make us feel it was our family. Even then I acknowledged it could be our family. I felt also that further research would be helpful in developing this family but would give no further proof that he was ours. Could I have been wrong? I am more inclined today to believe he really could be our Joseph. Certainly, we could never expect to find proof that any trained genealogist would take as proof.

An interesting side light on our German research. I was told if I wrote to our researcher in English, he would answer in English. But Mr. Rehme stated his English was very poor and so his

correspondence was always in German. As I had to pay someone to translate, I did this only for the family data he sent. For the letters, I would go to the German librarian in Salt Lake City library asking him to tell me what he wrote, then take notes. Later, I found a cousin living near Salt Lake City who had done interpreting for the U.S. army during WWII. He said he would be glad to translate them for me. When I took the letters to him, he said he could not translate them, as our researcher was an educated man.

Tradition had stated our Seab family in Prussia had money and when Joseph left his home, he left his inheritance behind. Tradition has said the Nienabers had no money. These two families fit in this respect. The Nienabers had a very small farm. The Seab family as found by Mr. Rehme did not seem wealthy but they had money. Mr. Rehme honestly felt the family he found is our family but as I did not wholeheartedly accept it, he was willing to search out other members of this family, looking for other Joseph Seabs. This could have proved expensive and it was doubtful to me that any record could be found in this way to prove connection of our Joseph to them, so we stopped.

The following is the record after interpretation as sent to us by Mr. Rehme. Again, I wish to say that I feel further research should be done before this family is accepted as our Seab family. The research below was received in May 1977.

Seep from Dinklage, County Vechta

Johann Henrich Seep was Heuermann (leased land) at farmer Vaermann's in Langwege, born in the Parish of Damme, was married in Dinklage on Sep. 9, 1800 to ***Anna Catharina Wanstraat***. Witnesses: Hermann Asbree and Johann Jacob Voermann.

His wife died Dec. 30, 1811 and was buried in Dinklage on Jan. 1, 1812. She died of fever, 40 years old. Seep came from the Dammer Parish.

Children:
1. bapt June 3, 1801 ***Maria Catharina***, Godparents: Anna Elisabeth Gier
2. bapt. Aug. 2, 1804 ***Catharine Elisebeth***, Godparents: Maria Elisabeth Wanstraat
3. bapt. Sept 27, 1809 ***Maria***, Godparents: Anna Maria Gier, Joh Bernd Seep

According to research, Johann Henrich Seep did not die in Dinklage prior to 1825. Whereabouts of children not found.

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Seep from Fladderlohausen near Holdorf

In Fladderlohausen, which belonged to the District Holdorf in the County of Vechta, used to live two farmers named Seep. One Osnabruck farm called Little Seep was sold in the last century and was purchased by the Farmer Exeriede. This farm used to measure 14 ha. In 1830 it had a land area of 2 Maltersaat - appx. 2 - 3 ha in size.

A Muenster Farm called "Big Seep" was in the same farm district. It can be assumed, that it was formerly One farm, but through division among heirs it now appears as two farms: little and big Seep.

Big Seep had 24 ha. land. In 1545 Hinrich Sepe, and in 1593 Gerd Sepe were owners and managers of the farm. The farm was not "eigenbehoerig", meaning it was not owed to a Landlord, but it was landlord-free.

In 1777 the debts on this farm were: Monthly treasure - Taxes 54 Grote. The City Hall in Vechta received 53 Grote; the rentmaster received 2 geese for his services to carry letters on long trips to Hopsten. Hopsten lies in the Area Tecklenburg, to which before 1252 Vechta belonged. Big Seep yearly had to deliver the Officialrye-Courtrye, which had to be contributed by many farmers, from Fladderlohausen, from Huerkamp - a farmer there, to Handorf. Also yearly Big Seep had to deliver the "Court - Shocks" to Damme. The Pastor in Damme - at that time a church district or parish Holdorf did not exist yet, rather everything belonged to the church district of Damme - received half a piece of yarn - with other words spun yarn, and 1 Groten donation, the church caretaker 1 shock of rye and 6 sheaves.

In 1545 the farm had 2 Malter land in rye, and 2 Scheffelsaat in oats. In 1724 the size of the farm remained unchanged with 2 Maltersaat land. 2 wagon loads of hay were harvested. In 1330 the size of the farm was 6 Maltersaat. This occurred through addition after the splitting of the farming district.

The animal herde in 1545 consisted of 4 horses, 2 oxen, 4 cows, 8 pigs. In 1609 2 horses, 2 cows, 2 heifers and 2 pigs were on the farm. In 1669 - after the 30 year war, which hit all farmers very hard - the animal count on the farm was: 1 horse and 1 cow. I mention all this to give you a small idea of the workings of farms in this area. I am of the opinion, that your Josef Seep originates from this later farm.

The above mentioned Johann Henrich Seep from the church district Dinklage, moved, after the death of his wife in 1811, to the church district Steinfeld. Here he married again on May 4, 1813, a Anna Catharina Engel von der Heide. He was the son in 1813 already deceased "Heuermann" Arend Seepe in Handorf, and she was the daughter of "Heuermann" Johann Heinrich von der Heide and of Maria Koebek from Harpendorf near Steinfeld. If one looks at those two towns on a map, they are not far from each other. Even though they were different church districts, the distances between the above mentioned towns were minim 1. appx. up to 10 km. (abt. 7 miles).

No children were born in this second marriage in Steinfeld. I also looked for Seeps in the church district of Neuenkirchen. No Seep Josef was born here between 1809 and 1814.

According to my research, if Josef Seep were born in 1809, he would have been already 36 years old at his marriage in 1845 with Nienaber. That is unlikely, I think.

I have researched the church books of Damme, Neuenkirchen, Dinklage, Steinfeld, Neuenkirchen frequently. In Holdorf, too, where the Seeps resided already before the founding of the church district, and where a vicar from Damme performed church, baptisms, funerals and marriages from 1800 to 1827, I can find one Josef Seep, but he was not born in 1809.

The family Seep in Fladderlohausen consisted at that time of:

Johann Gernd Upn Ohrde from Damme married May 16, 1797 in Damme one ***Catharina Alheit Seep***. This Cath. Alheit Seep inherited her father's farm in Fladderlohausen. The man who married onto this farm - in this case Upn Ohrde - took, in accordance with tradition and usage in this area, the name of the farm after marriage, Seep. In the church registers the baptisms of the children are then noted as follows: Johann Bernd Upn Ohrde now farmer Seep in Fladderlohausen.

The children from this marriage were as follows:

1. ***Herm. Henrich*** born 7. bap. 11 March 1798,
2. born 27 bap. 30 March 1800 ***Elisabeth Maria***,
3. ***Catharina Elisabeth***, born 24 bap. 27 Dec. 1801,
4. born 7 bap. 11 Sep 1803 ***Bernd Henrich***
5. ***Johann Henrich*** born 16 bap 18, 1805 (Month---)
6. ***Catharina Elisabeth*** born 22 bap. 25 (10) 1807, Mentioned at baptism regarding the father: now Colonus Seep.
   Cath Elis was born in the month of October.
7. ***Johann Henrich*** born 20 bap. 26 Dec 1809, Died Aug. 29, 1810, buried Sep 1, 1810.
8. ***Johann Henrich*** born 21 bap. Dec. 24, 1813. Died Dec. 10, 1814, buried Dec. 12, 1814.
9. ***Joseph Arnold***, b 1 bap. July 7, 1816.
10. ***Catharina Engel***, born 30 bap. Aug 31, 1818. Died Dec. 18, 1818, buried Dec. 20, 1818.

So there were 10 children on this marriage, of which 3 died. On April 10, 1841 died Bernd Sepe, nee aufn Orde, in Fladderlohausen and was buried in Holdorf. The children are of legal age at his death. He was 65 years old. His wife died May 26, 1846, was buried May 29, 1846 in Holdorf: Catharina Adelheit Sepe, widow of Bernd aufn Orde, farmer in Fladderlohausen.

This family is accounted for!
According to my records, in the year 1836 immigrated from Fladderlohausen:
Bernard Heinrich and Josef Seep, sons of the deceased farmer Bernd Seep. Here is mention, that the father is deceased, does not fit!
But only here occurs a Josef Seep. He did not have a mother-in-law, because his father was married only once to the mother, nee Seep.
So far I have no further explanation for this!
I have also extracted all the baptismal names of the children of Seep-ufn Ohrde.
Bernard Heinrich born 1803 and Joseph Arnold Seeps born 1816 are from one family!!
The father of Joseph was ***Johann Bernd upn Ohrde***, bap. Damme on July 23, 1776. Parents: ***Johann Hermann upn Ohrde***, who on Nov. 25, 1767 married ***Anna Maria Poelking*** from Steinfeld in Damme. Godparents of Joh. Bernd upn Ohrde were Joan Bernd Henke Berens. Joan Tympermann and Elisabeth Grosay Stueve.

The mother of ***Catharina Adelheid Seep*** was the widow ***Catharina Seep, nee Moormann***, from Fladderlohausen, who died in Fladderlohausen on Dec. 10, 1812 and was buried in Holdorf on Dec. 12, 1812, 68 years old.

In the church register Damme I found the notice: on the 28th of July 1817, the church of Damme was assigned to Oldenburg, as well as the largest part of Neuenkirchen. -- This means, that previously - in the time span when Joseph was born in 1816 - Fladderlohausen still belonged to

Osnabrueck. Maybe that is why Joseph has said, that he was born in Prussia or that he comes from Prussia.

This is also not completely right, because during the french time Osnabrueck belonged to Hanover. but Westphalia belonged to Prussia at that time, and the bishops of Osnabrueck were then simultaneously bishops of Muenster (Prussia).

In addition I have various extractions from different church registers of other parishes. One had to try everything to find the Seeps in the churches. This tribe was quite spread out then and some of them were "Heuerleute", that means, they rented a piece of land from a large farmer, with a small house in which to live with his family. All children could not remain on the farm, and considering the often found multitude of children, other means had to be found, such as these "Rentalhouses". These people worked for the landowner, the farmer, from whom they had rented land and house.

Even if some things do not satisfy me in my research, I do believe I have found the correct trail. The knowledge down through generations that you have of the forefather can also be correct in part only! I still have a question, does anyone there know of a brother of Josef Seep? Or did he possibly die after the crossing, that, too, is possible.

The others with the name of Seep, who immigrated from Fladderlohausen, came in part from the farm Little Seep and were protestant. Is Joseph - the name indicates such - catholic and did he remain catholic? Or was he protestant?

This I would like to know. Is it written on his tombstone, or in the death notices, how old he was? If, with you, the years 1809 and 1814 were indicated, then we have to figure in a different way, concerning the mention of the birth year.

A few thoughts regarding the name Seep: etymologically Seep means something like wet (moist) habitat, wet spots in the vicinity, especially along brooks. Both farms, Little and Big Seep in Fladderlohausen lie in a low area near watery stretches, which were prevalent there then and which were only laid dry during my time. I, myself, have for 15 years created ditches in these lowlying areas, and have thus improved through drying out these wet meadows and grazing places, so that today it can almost everywhere be used as farm land, which was not possible before.

On March 8, 1810 died a widow Nienaber, nee Seep, Catharina Alheid, she was poor, 65 years old and "Heuermann" widow on Bloemker's farm in Fladderlohausen. So the family Nienaber also exists in Fladderlohausen. There is still a farm Nienaber here today. This was an Osnabruecker Farm there and 43 ha in size. It belonged to the Kommende Lage, an ancient cloister-farm near there. I am not confusing this Nienaber with the Lindenern, because it is an entirely different family in Fladderlohausen, which carries the same family name.

Mrs. Ezell! You can see by my results so far, that I have concentrate intensively on the Seep research in the last couple of weeks. However, I cannot yet make a final statement, I have to undertake a few more searches. Damme and Neuenkirchen are appx. 50 km from Cloppenburg, so I have to make these trips various times - I have extracted these results from the church registers in two days, not including the time I worked on it at home - and for me, who does not own a car - I don't have a car - it means quite a bit of time and expense to complete this research work.

End of the research paper from Mr. Rehme.

Note that the name for the father of Helena Maria Nienaber was given as Johann Henricus. Henrich is the German spelling; Henricus the Latin.

In looking over these records today, I wonder if maybe there were some straws that would make us feel a kinship. For instance, was Siebachorline our clumsy way of trying to say Seep Upn Ohrde? Take the "line" out of the name and think how it might sound in a foreign brogue and it could just be.

Look at the baptismal records of Joseph's two brothers born prior to him but both died, both named Johann Henrich. One was baptised 26 Dec 1809, the other 24 Dec 1813. If Joseph Seab wanted to change his birthday and take one he would forever remember, could he not have chosen dates of his deceased brothers. Note that one of the birthday records we have of him in the U.S. states he was born in 1809, the other 1813. These are the two dates we have for our Joseph's year of birth.

The record in German is also included in the Appendix.

APPENDIX

Many records were examined in the Franklin Co., MS area in an effort to find why Joseph Seab settled in Franklin Co., thinking he could have gone there to join some friend or relative. No indication that he was close to anyone was found. The records below are given for your evaluation.

There was a medical doctor Frederick Seip in Natchez at a very early date, but he was dead and his family moved away before our Joseph came to this area. He is found on no census, so that dates of when there, etc. are hard to approximate. The marriage record of Frederick Seip is found in Adams Co. Vol. 1, p306 6 July 1815 he to Ann McCrery by S. Brooks J.P.

His will dated 5 Dec 1818 and is recorded in Vol. 1 p180, Adams Co. I failed to get the recording date. It reads: I Frederick Seip of City of Natchez in the state of Miss. do hereby make this my last will and Testament hereby revoking and cancelling all former wills. I do hereby will and direct that all my just and lawful debts be discharged by my executrix and executor herein after named. And I do will and direct that the whole of my estate both personal and real remain in the hand of my wife Anna Seip from which herself and her family are to be supported. And I also will and direct that my said executrix and executor may sell the whole or any part of my estate at any time if they should think proper. I do also will and direct that the raising and educating Mary A. Shield until she is married shall be paid out of my estate. And I will and direct that my executrix and executor pay to my brother Peter Seip of the City of Philadelphia ten thousand dollars, one thousand dollars of which sum to be paid him annually unless it should be convenient for said executrix and executor to pay more; and in the event of the death of said Peter Seip, I do will and direct that whatever sum may be then due shall then go to the children of the aforesd Peter Seip. And I do also will and direct that in case my wife Anna Seip should again enter into the marriage state, that then one third of my estate shall go to her and the remainder of my estate, I will and bequeath to my son John Seip, to be made secure to him by the guardian of the said John Seip.

It is my desire that my African slave (named Tom) may be favoured; that if he wishes to be hired out he may be allowed to do so, or if he should wish to be sold he may be allowed to chuse his master. And Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint my wife Anna Seip executrix and Andrew Macrery executor of this my last will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal this 5th day of December 1818. /s/ Frederic Seip. Signed Sealed and published by the above named Frederic Seip in the presence of us, who have subscribed our names in his presence. John Ker, John Lombard, Jno. Richards.

An interesting account can be found in THE BATTLE BOOK by Herbert Bemerton Battle in a chapter entitled Reminiscences of a Poineer in Louisiana by Mrs. Martha Phillips Martin: In Oct 1839 my daughter Elizabeth married Dr. John Seip, a young graduate from the Medical Institute at Philadelphia where he had been for many years. His father died in Natchez and his mother was left with one child in very delicate health. Her husband's dying request was that she should return to her native state by sea and in all possibility regain her health. But, alas, it was only to get there and die. I knew his mother before her marriage, a most accomplished and intelligent lady. She was a sister to Dr. McCreary of Natchez. Dr. Seip purchased a plantation on Red River, LA where I visited them often. In 1855 he died leaving his widow and 4 children - 1 son 3 daughters. .. In 1866 I paid my last visit in the South. Mrs. Seip had just returned from Texas where she had fled with the hope of keeping her negroes. While there she had 500 bales cotton and a handsome residence destroyed by the Federal and gin house and mill. I found them living in cabins, quite cheerful with hope of making a good crop and getting high price for their cotton. But alas, their hopes were all blasted. The overflow in June and caterpillars in September blasted all hopes.

Dr. John McCreary Seip, b 1819 Natchez, MS, d 1853, Rapides Parish, LA, son of Frederick Seip, who died Adams Co., MS, m 17 Oct 1839 Elizabeth Martin, b 10 Aug 1817, Nashville, TN, d after 1866, dau of Thomas Martin and Martha Phillips, had issue: (Maj.) Frederick Seip, b 1840 LA, d 1911; Martha M. Seip, b 1843 LA; Anna G. Seip, b 1846 LA; Emeline Flint Seip, b 1851, d 1916. They were in Rapides Par., LA on 1840 and 1850 censuses.

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There was an early Henry Seeby in Jefferson Co., MS in the Natchez Dist. On 1 June 1822 in Jefferson Co., MS he and wife Elizabeth sold land they then resided on which had been purchased by them 19 Oct 1808, bounded by lands of Parker Carradine, decd, William Harper and Stephen Terry. Wit. Philip Dixon and Isaac Pipes. By 1830 John H. Sebie was in Hinds Co., MS, he and wife age 20-40, a dau age 10-20 and an older woman 40-60.
Gravestones were found in Old Crystal Springs Cemetery, Copiah Co., MS and reads: John H. Siebe, b Sept. 7, 1807, d Apr 2, 1867 and Mary M., wife of John H. Siebe, b 19 Oct 1809, d 6 Nov 1871.
From the 1850 Copiah Co., MS census, the family appears to be: John H. Siebe, b 1807 in MS and wife Mary M. b 1809 in SC, had issue, all b in MS: Julia A. b 1833; James b 1834; Ann b 1838; Thomas b 1840; Henry b 1842; Jacob b 1843; Harriett b 1844; Julia b 1845; Felix b 1846; Myra b 1849. There were two Rawles children in the home: Elizabeth M. age 19 and Caroline age 15, both b MS.

It is not believed this family was close to our Joseph Seab. Not known either what nationality the Siebe family was. Neither did the early Siebe family of Jefferson Co. seem close to John David Waschaw when they were both there.

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Jacob Stettheimer, 26 male merchant from Neidersteden, Germany arrived in NY on the Bg. Horatio on 16 Aug 1837, sailing from Hamburg.

Sigmund Stettheimer was security on the marriage bond of our Joseph Seib, Jan. 1845. He is on the Adams Co., MS 1840 census, p.10 in the City of Natchez as Segmond Setthimer which reads: Segmond Setthimer M 1(-5) 2(20-30) 1(30-40); F 1(20-30)

On 8 Apr 1839 Jacob Stittheimer of Adams Co. is indebted to Joseph W. Phillips..$2400..for stock groceries, dry goods, hardware..now in store occupied by J. W. Phillips in Natchez situated at corner of Franklin and Rankin Streets../s/ Jacob Steittheimer. Adams Deed BB-33.

Bill of sale..Abraham Aaron and Hyman Nelson of Adams Co. partners under the name and style of Aaron and Nelson..for $7,459.11 sells to Jacob Stettheimer (follows the inventory)..5 Feb 1840. Adams Deed BB-462.

4 Oct 1844. John R. Stockman President of the Select Men of the City of Natchez to Sigmund Stettheimer and John Meyer trustees of the Hebrew Congregation and Beneficial Society of Natchez..for $195..all those certain Lots of Land, situate & being in the Burying Ground belonging to the Corporation of the City of Natchez .. entitled an Ordinance to Establish an Additional Burying ground for the City of Natchez ordained and published the 16th day of September A.D. 1830, Said Lots or parcels of Land being numbered and bounded as follows: Numbers one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, Eight, Nine, ten, eleven, Twelve and Thirteen, each being sixteen feet wide and twenty feet in length, commencing at the corner of a field belonging to the estate of Thomas D. Pernell and running thence along the outer line of the burying ground two hundred and sixty feet, thence at right angles with said outer line Sixteen feet, thence at right angles and parallel with said outer line two hundred and sixty feet and thence at right angles sixteen feet to the place of beginning making a parallelogram sixteen feet wide and two hundred and sixty feet long and containing in all Four Thousand One Hundred and Sixty feet Superficial Measure to be used as a burying place and for no other purpose whatever, Subject to all the rules, regulations and Ordinances of the City of Natchez touching and concerning said Burying Ground being a part of the same parcel of Land Conveyed to the City of Natchez for the aforesaid purpose by Deed bearing date the twenty third day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty Two from Edward Turner and Robert Alexander Executors of the Last will and Testament of John Steele deceased../s/ J. R. Stockman, Prest. of Select Men, City of Natchez. Adams Deed EE-490.

Agreement and Deed of Assignment 23 Jan 1849, Simon Schrburger and Schman Schrburger merchants trading in copartnership in the City of Natchez under the name and firm of S. Schrburger and Brother of the first part, George W. Koontz of said City of Natchez of the 2nd part and Sigmund Stettheimer and Max Stettheimer, late merchants and partners in trade in said City doing business under the name and firm of S & M Stettheimer; Jacob Stettheimer, Sigmond Stettheimer and Max Stettheimer now merchants and partners in trade doing business in the City of New York

under the name and firm of Stettheimer and Brothers of the third part, witnesseth that whereas the said S & M Stettheimer did on the thirteenth day of the present month bargain, sell and deliver unto the said parties of the first part the stock of goods then and now in their late store on Commerce Street in said City of Natchez, consisting for the most part of staple and fancy dry goods, clothing, hats, boots, shoes and hardware and the said parties of the first part thereupon succeeded in sd S & M Stettheimer and are now carrying on the business of sd store under the said firm of S. Lchrburger and Brother; .. (very long deed)../s/ Simon Schrburger, Schmann Schrburger, S. & M. Stettheimer, Stettheimer and Bro. Adam Deed GG-393.

No Stettheimer was found in MS 1850 censuses.

Joseph Stettheimer married Nina Mann, 28 Mar 1853 by R. W. Wood, JP, Berm Schwab security. Adams B7-160.

A Declaration of Intention. This was done in preparation to becoming a naturalized citizen.: The State of Mississippi, Adams Co.) In Adams Circuit Court. In vacation before the November term 1840. Jacob Stettheimer a native of the town of Niederstetten in the Kingdom of Wurtenburg in Europe comes and declares his intention of becoming a citizen of the United States of America and renouncing forever all allegience and fidelity to every foreign Prince Potentate, Power, State, Sovereignty or Republic or other government whatsoever and particularly to "William" King and reigning Sovereign of the Kingdom of Wurtenberg or whomsoever else may be charged with the Government of the same at the time he may be admitted as such citizen.
That he has never held any title of Nobility whatsoever
That also he is attached to the principles of the Government, its Institutions and Laws, and that he has resided within the limits of the United States of America for the space of three years and ninety days And in the State of Mississippi for the space of one year and eleven months and that he is now twenty nine years of age. Sworn to and subscribed before me this third day of November A.D. 1840. /s/ Jacob Stettheimer.

The Lutheran and Catholic records of Niederstetten, Wurtenburg were examined and no mention of the names Stettheimer or Seab was found. However, Stettheimer was Jew and the Jew records were not available to me.

The book containing the Declaration of Intention of Sigmond Stettheimer is missing in Adams Co. and so could not be read. The names of those whose records are in the missing book are included in the index which shows Sigmond Stettheimer's declaration of intention was made 31 Oct 1836, file Circuit Court 277. It can be assumed the brothers were from the same location.
In the minutes of the Superior Court of Franklin Co., MS was found: Sigmond & Myer Stettheimer vs. Jacob Stern and Mary C. A. his wife, also C. Travis Leggett vs Louis M. Hollinger adm. with the will annexed of John D. Waschaw decd.. for non performance of the promises and assumption .. plus interest. In my early notes, I failed to get the exact references, but it had to be around 1849.

The available New York City directories from 1822 through 1850 were examined. Stettheimers were found but never was there a Seab of any spelling.

It seems that Joseph Seab had only business friends in Natchez as it would seem if he had relatives or close personal friends, they would have been security on his marriage bond.

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John Warsaw appeared on the 1820 census in Jefferson Co., MS showing him head of household of two males both in the 26-45 age group (p169, no slaves). He did not show on the 1816 census. By 1830 he was in Franklin Co., MS -- p.162 John D. Waschaw M 1(-5) 1(15-20) 1(20-30) 1(40-50) 1(50-60); F 1(20-30) slaves 6, total 12, 3 aliens not naturalized.

1840 Fr.Co.,MS p160 John D. Wasaw 1 M (60-70)

Between 1840 and 1850 he married, but had no children and died. His will, recorded in Franklin Co., MS will book, burned. Copies of the will were mentioned in several references and was probably rerecorded in one as I have a reference to it in my files but it is not located now. Mention is made of a sister living in Greifswald, Germany. See on the map. Greifswald is many miles to the east of Oldenburg, but not far from the sea.

William Hadskey wrote in 1979: "I show John D. Waschaw as having a tavern in Meadville as early as 1827. In the 1830 census there is quite a large family which I imagine includes Louis Hollinger and his sister. There were three that were not naturalized in the family. Waschaw belonged to the Andrew Jackson Masonic Lodge #2 in Natchez and transferred his membership to Ben Franklin at Meadville in 1830. His funeral was on Nov. 8, 1847. The Hollinger family is still in Meadville. John Hollinger, I believe is the present Representative in the State Legislature from Franklin Co."

Early deeds of Franklin Co., MS were destroyed in a fire but the index was saved which shows him very much a business man and finally disposing of much of his property before his marriage which leaves one with the impression that he was not anticipating marriage before Mary Catharine Angela Rulander appeared on the scene in 1842. From the deeds index:

Waschaw, John D. from C. C. Slocumb - Lots in Old Franklin. Jany 7, 1822. Bk. B-1.
Waschaw, John D. to William Pickett - Town lots in old Franklin. 1 Oct 1823. Bk. B-2.
Waschaw, John D. from Thos. Rowan et als - Lots 23 & 34, 39 & 10 Meadville. Dec 27, 1824. Bk B-54
Waschaw, C.J.E. from John Scott -Bill of sale to slave Otway. Sep 15, 1825. B-283
Waschaw, John D. from William Harmon - S7 T5 R3. Feb 1, 1830. Bk B-392
Waschaw, J. D. to Lewis M. Hollinger - Deed to E. part lot 186.T5 R3. Jan 3, 1933. C-141
Waschaw, Jno. D. to Ellis T. Passmore - part 329.T6.R3 (28 ac). 13 Aug 1832. C-165
Waschaw, John D. to D. A. Stewart - 4 ac 329.T6.R3. 16 Oct 1834. C-191
Waschaw, John D. to Lewis M. Hollinger - Real & personal property. Apr 17, 1840. C-627
Waschaw, John D. to John D. Hollinger - gift of slaves. 17 Apr 1840. C-628
Waschaw, J. D. - Hollinger, L. M. - Articles of Agreement. 17 Apr 1840. C-628
Waschaw, J. D. to Elizabeth Hollinger - Gift of slave. 17 Apr 1840. C-629
Waschaw, J. D. to Lewis Hollinger Jr. - Gift of slave. 17 Apr 1840. C-629

From Franklin Co, MS Book of Original Land Entries:
John D. Waschaw 9 June 1831 Lot 1 S6 T5 R3E 190 ac
John D. Waschaw 23 Oct 1826 267 ac S13 T6 R3E
S14 T6 R3E 637.80 ac
John D. Waschaw 29 Oct 1822 76.76 ac Lot 5 S29 T6 R3E
John D. Waschaw 18 Oct 1836 39.88 ac Lot 7 S41 T6 R3E
Lot 8 39.88 ac
9 Aug 1836 155.87 ac Lots 9, 12, 13
Louis M. Hollinger 28 Feb 1844 58 ac Lot 5 S43 T6 R3E

1 Mar 1844 40 ac Lot 6

The Rulanders were passengers on the boat that arrived in New Orleans with our Nienaber family. Ruhlanders were shown as Godparents in the baptism of our family in Lindern, Germany so that it can be assumed that Mary Catharine Angela Rulander was a cousin of our Nienaber family. Mary C. A. Rulander and Helena Maria Nienaber worked in Waschaw's tavern in Meadville before their marriages.

John David Waschaw married Mary Catherine Angela Rulander on the 9th day of March 1843 by D. L. Rivers JP, F? A. T? Midderhoff bondsman. Recorded in Adams Co., MS Bk. 6-601.

The marriage contract of John D. Waschaw and M. C. Rulander made 9 Mar 1843, recorded in Franklin Co., MS Deed Bk.D-65 is very long but is given here in full because it is known the Nienabers were related to the Rulanders and the possible relationship of Seab to Waschaw. It reads:

Articles of Agreement of three parties made and concluded this ninth day of March in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty three between John David Waschaw of the County of Franklin and state of Mississippi of the first part, Mary Catharine Angela Rulander of the seme of the second part and Henry Minger and Frederick Forster of the same state and of the County of Adams of the third part as follows: Whereas the said John David Washaw party of the first part is seized to him and to his heirs in fee simple of and in certain lands mesuages and tenements with their appurtenances, situate lying and being in the county of Franklin and state of Mississippi on the HomoChitto River and the Middle Fork HomoChitto River amounting in the whole to about six hundred and forty nine acres of land purchased by said Waschaw partly of one Harmen by deed on record in the said County of Franklin and partly of the Government of the United States of America by certain written instruments from the Land Office at Washington Mississippi to which reference is hereby made said body of land about three miles in a Southern direction from the Town of Meadville in Franklin County and is the same body of land which the said John David Waschaw now pertly cultivates and on which he resides And whereas the said John David Washaw is also possessed as of his own property of eight Negro Slaves for life that is to say - Prince, Daniel, John, Benjamin, George, James, Julia and Sara. And whereas the said John David Washaw is also possesed as of his own property of certain plantation stock to wit Cattle, sheep, Hogs, Horses, Farming Utensils, Furniture & &c which is now at and upon the above mentioned land.

And whereas a marriage is shortly intended to be had and solemnized between the said John David Waschaw party of the first part and the said Mary Catherine Angela Rulander party of the Second part. It is therefore covenanted and agreed by and between the said perties to these presents And this Indenture witnesseth in manner and form following, that is to say The said John David Waschew party of the first part in consideration of the said intended marriage doth give grant confirm convey and release unto Mary Catharine Angela Rulander party of the second part the one third part of all the above described property real and personal to be selected and designated as hereinefter expressed To Have and to Hold the said one third part unto the said Mary her heirs and assigns, And the Said John David Washaw doth for himself his heirs executors and administrators covenant grant promise and agree to and with the said Henry Mingee and Frederick Forster party of the third part their and each of their executors administrators successor and successors to be appointed as hereinefter provided for by these presents that notwithstanding said Marriage intended to be had and solemnized they the said Henry Mingee and Frederick Forster party of the third part or their successor to be appointed as hereinafter provided for shall end may have and hold the said one third to wit two hundred end sixteen acres of the above described land with the dwelling house to be selected and designated by the said Henry Mengee and Frederick Forster party of the third part or their successor near and ebout the said Dwelling House on said lend also three of the said slaves to be selected by the said Henry Mingee and Frederick Forster or their successor and also the one third part of all the other personal property of the said party of the first part to and for the sole use of the seid Mary Catharine Angela Rulander to have the same to and for the sole disposel of the seid Mary &c and that the seid real and personal estate or any part thereof the said party of the first part shell not nor will in any manner sell, grent convey or in any manner alienate.

It is further understood and such are the agreements intents and purposes of this indenture and contract that the rents issues profits and income of all said land and all the said slaves first above mentioned and all the proceeds thereof shall be end inure to and for the benefit and behoof of the said John David Washaw and the said Mary Catharine Angela Rulander jointly during the existance of seid Marriege and after the deeth, of said party of the first part the said Two Hundred and Sixteen acres to be designated and Selected as aforesaid and the said three slaves to be selected as aforesaid

the one third part of all the personal property which the said party of the first part may have and possess at the time of such his death, shall go to and inure for the use benefit and sole behoof of said Mary Catharine Angela Rulander in fee simple in case she the said Mary shall survive the said Washaw and in case he the said John David Washaw shall survive her the said Mary then this Indenture and contract shall be null and void and utterly concluded. It is further understood that in case the said John David Waschaw of the first part depart this life leaving her the said Mary his widow the said Henry Mingee and Frederick Forster party of the third part or their successor shall and will proceed to select lay off and designate by sufficient bounderies the said one third part to wit Two hundred and sixteen acres including the dwelling House of the above mentioned and described body of land And also to Select three of said Slaves to and for the use and benefit of the said Mary and Make and execute such deeds of Conveyance of the same to the said Mary and to put her the said Mary in effectual possession of all which this contract allows and grants her the said Mary.

And the said Mary doth hereby covenant and agree to allow and permit and by these presents doth allow and permit the said Henry Minger and Frederick Forster party of the third part and their successor or successors to take have receive and hold the said Two hundred and Sixteen Acres of land with the dwelling house and said three slaves and their natural increase and also the one third part of all the other personal property of said party of the first part to and for the sole use of the said party of the second part. And it is hereby further understood that after the solemnization of said intended Marriage the said John David Washaw and the said Mary Catharine Angela Rulander shall and may take and hold possession of all the said land and slaves and other described property and it is hereby further understood and agreed that if the said party of the first part accumulate or receive in future any further and other property real or personal the said Henry Minger and Frederick Forster party of the third part or their successor shall and may take have and hold in case of the death of the said party of the first part the one third part Also of such property real or personal to and for the sole use and benefit of said Mary her heirs and assigns and then the said party of the first part shall not nor will in any Manner sell grant and convey such one third part of such property or in any manner alienate without the consent of the said party of this third part or their successors.

And it is further understood and provided that in case the said Henry Mingee and the said Frederick Forster party of the third part shall by death or other disability removal from the state or any other cause refuse or be prevented from performing and executing the objects purposes and intents of this Trust as herein contained then and in that case the Probate Court of Franklin County or the Judge thereof for the time being shall and may have full power and authority to appoint some suitable person to execute and fulfil the purposes of this trust And the said Judge is hereby requested to make Such Nomination and appointments, and if either one or the others of the said party of the third part be prevented by death sickness removal from the state or other cause from performing and executing the objects purposes and intents of this trust as herein contained then and in that case that one of them who is not prevented by any cause to execute the object and purposes of this trust shall have the same power to execute the same alone.

In witness of all which the said John David Washaw and the said Mary Catharine Angela Rulander and the said Henry Mingee and Frederick Forster have hereunto set their hand and seals the day and year above written. /s/ John D. Waschaw

/s/ Mary C. A. Rulander
/s/ Frederick Foster
/s/ Henree Mingee

State of Miss., Adams Co.) Personally appeared before me Douglas L. Rivers a Justice of the Peace in and for said county of Adams John David Washaw and Mary Angela Rulander and Henry Mengee and Frederick Forster who severally acknowledged that they and each of them signed Sealed and delivered the above and foregoing instrument of writing on the day and year therein mentioned as their and each of their and deed for the purpose therein expressed.

Sworn under my hand and seal this 9th day of March Anno Domini eighteen hundred and forty three. /s/ D. L. Rivers JP.

From Franklin Co., MS Deed D-298. This indenture made the tenth day of December in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty seven between Frederick Forster trustee of the one part and Mary Catharine Angela Waschaw of the county of Franklin state of Mississippi of the second part.

Whereas articles of agreement between John David Washaw, Mary Catharine Angela Rulander and Henry Minger and Frederick Forster were made and executed on the ninth day of March AD 1843 and recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Probate Court of Franklin County State of Mississippi in Book D for the record of Deeds on pages 65.66.67 & 68 on the twenty seventh March 1843 to which articles of agreement especial reference is hereby made and whereas by said articles of Agreement the said Mingee and Forster trustees agreed and it was made their duty in case John David Waschaw should depart this life leaving said Mary Catharine Angela his widow to proceed to select lay off and designate by sufficient boundaries Two hundred and Sixteen acres of the land in said agreement mentioned including the dwelling house to and for the use of said Mary Catharine Angela and to made and execute Deeds of Conveyance of the same to the said Mary and put

her the said Mary in effectual possession and whereas the said John David Waschaw departed this life on the 22nd day of October in the year of our Lord 1847 leaving her the said Mary Catharine Angela his widow and .. whereas Henry Minger one of said trustees is prevented by sickness from performing .. Frederick Forster one of the trustees aforesaid hath selected laid off .. by sufficient boundaries ..including the said dwelling house to and for the sole use of the said Mary Catharine Angela Waschaw widow of John David Waschaw .. follows a description of the land .. /s/ Frederick Forster.

In Franklin Co., MS superior court dockets is found for Sept term 1849. Samuel A. Cartwright vs. Louis M. Hollinger, admr with will annexed of John D. Waschaw decd. Also Louis M. Hollinger adm with will annexed of John D. Waschaw dec. A copy of the will was not recorded with either of these records but could be in the loose papers in Franklin Co., MS. From my notes in my files it appears I found a copy, the reference not known now, lost in my papers and was not found at the writing of this book. It could be in Adams Co., MS.

In Franklin Co., MS Deed D-503 was found: State of Mississippi, Adams Co. This indenture made and executed this the sixth day of November AD eighteen hundred and fifty between Jacob Stearn and Mary C. Stearn his wife both of Adams County and State of Mississippi of the first part and Isaiah (signed Josiah) Marshall of Franklin County .. for $1000 .. 216 acres lying in Franklin County on the Homochitto River at and near where the Middle Fork of Said river empties into this stream being a part of section seven in Township five range three East in the District of land for sale at Washington Mississippi Beginning at an old gum tree on the Abram Talor tract nearly west of the dwelling house .. (legal description given here) .. being that tract of land secured to said Mary by a certain marriage agreement between herself and John D. Waschaw her former husband bearing date the Ninth day of March eighteen hundred and forty three and conveyed to said Mary by one Frederick Foster Trustee in said Marriage Agreement by a deed bearing date December the tenth eighteen hundred and forty seven .. /s/ Jacob X Stearn /s/ M. C. Stearn.

Of record in Marriage Bk. 3-120, Franklin Co., MS is found: Jacob Stern to Mrs. Mary C. Waschaw 5 Feb 1849.

On a passenger list arriving (I believe in NY, my early notes not always clear) 7 Mar 1838 on ship Russell from Havre, arrival #115 were the names:

Geo. Stein (Stern?)	22 M Tradesman	Germany
Jacob Stein	19 M Bur. Merchant	Germany

In the circuit Court Minute Book, Adams Co., MS, p.23 was found the Declaration of Intention: Jacob Stern .. a native of Bavaria who on the 4th day of Nov. 1843 in Albany Justices Court state of N.Y. made his .. declaration of intention to become a citizen of the United States .. has been in the U.S. at least 5 years and this state at least 1 year .. .

Jacob Stern was picked up by the census takers twice in 1850.

Franklin Co., MS #436 Jacob Stern 35 Ger tavern keeper $1000 Germany; Mary Stern 28 Ger; John G. Druffed 40 mill wright Ger; Christian Hanchman 38 house carpenter Ger.

1850 Adams Co., MS, p168 #58 Jacob Stearn 32 Merchant Ger; Mary C. Stearn 28 f Ger.

1860 Adams Co.,MS #1066 Jacob Stein 42 merchant $3000/5000 Baden; Mary 40 f Bavarier.

1870 Lincoln Co.,MS p.8 #39 Sturns, Jacob 52 keeping hotel $2000 $100 Bavaria; M. C. 50 keeping house Bavaria

1880 Lincoln Co.,MS p.2 Sterns, Jacob 63 Hotel keeper Bavaria Bavaria Bavaria; Mary Sterne 61 wife Holland Holland Holland.

Mary Stern was affectionately known to the Schnorrenbergs as Aunt Stern. She never had children. When the Yankees came during the Civil War, they burned the courthouse and Stern's hotel.

Mary and Jacob Stern were buried in the St. Francis of Assisi Cemetery in Brookhaven, MS. Jacob's grave has a stone which gives the information: Nov. 14, 1818/Dec. 6, 1886.

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Though all of the people above were apparently known to each other, there seems to be no real relationship among any of them to Joseph Seab. Warshaw was probably a business competitor of Seab. Probably Seab was instrumental in getting Warshaw to hire the Nienaber and Ruhlander girls in his tavern until they married. Warshaw and Seab had a common tie in the German language they spoke. There is no evidence the relationship was anything beyond that. The Hollingers were from Germany. They were close to Warshaw, was administrator of his will and inherited heavily from him. It could have been the Hollingers who were in Warshaws home in 1830 when there were 3 aliens and a family in his home. There was never a link of the name Hollinger to Seab.

Joseph Seab seemed to be a loner in Mississippi until the Nienaber family arrived.

7.5.77

Seep aus Dinklage.Landkreis Vechta

Johann Henrich Seep, war Heuermann bei Kötter Vaermann zu Langwege, gebürtig aus Kirchspiel Damme, verheiratete er sich in Dinklage am 9.9.18oo mit Anna Catharina Wanstraat.Zeugen:Hermann Asbree und Johann Jacob Vörmann.
Seine Frau starb am 3o.12.1811 und wurde am 1.1.1812 in Dinklage beggaben Sie starb am Fieber,4o Jahre alt. Seep kam aus Dammer Kirchspiel-
Kinder: 1.get 3.6.18o1 Maria Catharina,Paten Anna Elisabeth Gier
2. get2.8.18o4 Catharina Elisabeth.Paten Maria Elisabeth Wanstraa
3. get 27.9.18o9 Maria Paten:Anna Maria Gier,Joh Bdrnd Seep
Johan Henrich Seep ist in Dinklage nicht vor 1825 verstorben nach Nachsuche.Verbleib der Kinder nicht gefunden!

Seep aus Fladderlohausen bei Holdorf.

In Fladderlohausen,welches zur Gemeinde Holdorf gehört im Landkreis Vechta waren früher zwei Kötter Seep. Ein Osnabrücker Markkotten kl.Seep ist verkauft worden im vorigen Jahrhundert und durch den Bauern Exeriede aufgekauft. Dieser Kotten war früher 14 ha groß. 183o hatte er eine Landfläche von 2 Maltersaat - etwa 2-3 ha Größe.
Ein münsterischer Kotten gr. Seep war in der gleichen Bauerschaft. Vermutlich ist es früher ein Hof gewesen, der durch Teilung auf Erben zu zwei Kotten: kleine und große Seep auseinanderging.
gr.Seep hatte 24 ha Land.1545 war Hinrich Sepe,1593 Gerd Sepe auf dem Hof als Besitzer und Bewirtschafter.Der Kotten war nicht eigenbehörig also nicht einem Gutsherrn pflichtig, sondern Gutsherrnfrei.
1777 waren an Lasten auf diesem Hof :Monatsschatz = Steuern 54 Grote. Das Amtshaus bekam in Vechta 53 Grote,der Rentmeister 2 Gänse für den Dienst,Briefe auf langen Reisen nach Hopsten tragen. Hopsten liegt im Raum Tecklenburg, wohin vor 1252 Vechta gehörte. gr.Seep mußte jährlich den Amtsroggen-Gerichtsroggen, der von vielen Bauern gegeben werden mußte aus Fladderlohausen, von Hürkamp - einem Bauern dort, nach Handorf gefahr ren werden.Jährlich mußte gr.Seep die Gerichtshocken nach Damme fahren. Der Pastor in Damme- damals gab es noch nicht eine besondere Gemeinde oder ein Kirchspiel Holdorf, sondern alles gehörte noch nach dem Kirchspiel Damme hin- bekam 1/2 Stück Garn - also gesponnenes Garn und 1 Groten Opfergeld,der Küster 1 Hocken Roggen und 6 Garben.
1545 hatte der Hof 2 Malter Roggenland. und 2 Scheffelsaat Wittkorn = Hafer.1724 war die Hofgröße unverändert mit 2 Maltersaat. An Heu wurden 2 Fuder geerntet. 183o war der Hof 6 Maltersaat groß. Dieses kam durch den Zuwachs nach der Teilung der Markengemeinde.
Der Viehbestand 1545 war 4 Pferde,2 Ochsen, 4 Kühe,8 Schweine.
16o9 waren 2 Pferde,2 Kühe,2 Rinder und 2 Schweine auf dem Hof.
1669 - also nach dem dreißigjährigen Kriege, der alle Bauern sehr schwer mitgenommen hatte- waren an Vieh auf dem Hof: 1 Pferd und 1 Kuh!

German Records from Mr. Rehme.

Ich führe dieses alles an,um Ihnen einen kleinen Einblick in die ~~Wirtsch~~ Wirtschaftsweise der Höfe hier zu geben.
Ich bin der Meinung, daß Ihr Josef Seep von diesem letzteren Hof abstammt.
Der oben unter Kirchspiel Dinklage genannte Johann Henrich Seep zog nachdem seine Frau 1811 gestorben war, nach dem Kirchspiel Steinfeld hin Hier heiratete er am 24.5.1813 erneut wieder eine Anna Catharina Engel von der Heide. Er war der Sohn des 1813 schon verstorbenen Heuermanns Arend Seepe in Handorf und sie war die Tochter des Heuermanns Johann Heinrich von der Heide und der Maria Kobek aus Harpendorf bei Steinfeld.
Wenn man sich auf der Karte diese Ortschaften ansieht, so sind diese nicht sehr weit von einander entfernt.Obwohl es verschiedene Kirchspiele sind, waren die Entfernungen der oben genannten Orte nur gering,etwa bis lo Kilometer.
In Steinfeld sind dieser zweiten Ehe aber keine Kinder gboren worden.
In dem Kirchspiel Neuenkirchen habe ich auch gesucht nach den Seeps! Hier ist zwischen 18o9 bis 1814 kein Seep Josef geboren!

Nach meinen Ermittlungen , wenn Josef Seep 18o9 geboren wäre, müßte er bei seiner Heirat mit der Nienaber 1845 schon 36 Jahre alt gewesen sein. Das ist unwahrscheinlich,meine ich!

Ich habe in den Kirchenbüchern von Damme,Neuenkirchen,Dinklage, Steinfeld,Neuenkirchen alles mehrfach nachgesehen. Auch in Holdorf wo die Seeps schon vor der Kirchengründung ansässig waren und wo von Damme aus durch einen Vikar in der Zeit von etwa 18oo bis 1827 hin Kirche,Taufen, Beerdigungen und Trauungen gehalten wurden, kann ihh nur einen Josef Seep finden, der aber nicht 18o9 geboren wurde!

Die Familie Seep in Fladderlohausen setzte sich damals wie folgt zusamme

Johann Bernd Upn Ohrde aus Damme heiratete am 16.5.1797 in Damme die Catharina Alheit Seep.
Diese Cath.Alheit Seep erbte die Kötterei von ihrem Vater in Fladderlohausen.Der auf diesen Hof aufheiratende Mann - hier Upn Ohrde- nahm nach der Sitte und dem Gebrauch hierzulande den Hofnamen Seep an nach der Heirat.In den Kirchenbüchern steht dann auch bei den Taufen der Kinder:Johann Bernd Upn Ohrde jetzt Kötter Seep in Fladderlohausen!
Die Kinder aus dieser Ehe waren wie folgt:
1. Herm Henrich geb. 7.get.11.3.1798,
2.geb 27.get 3o .3.18oo Elisabeth Maria,
3. Catharina Elisabeth geb 24.get 27.12.18o1.
4.geb 7.get 11.9.18o3 Bernd Henrich.
5.Johann Henrich geb 16.get 18.18o5. Monat(-_)
6.Catharina Elisabeth geb 22.get 25.(12) 18o7. Hier steht bei der Taufe auch für den Vater: jetzt Colonus Seep.
Cath Elis wurde im Oktobermonat geboren.
7.Johann Henrich geb 2o.get 26.12.18o9 . Starb am 29.8.181o,□1.7.181o.
8.Johann Henrich geb 21.get 24.12.1813. Starb am 1o.12.1814,□12.12.1814.
9.Joseph Arnold geb 1.get 7.7.1816
1o.Catharina Engel geb 3o.get 31.8.1818. Starb am 18.12.1818,□2o.12.18.

German Records from Mr. Rehme, continued.

Es sind also lo Kinder aus dieser Ehe gewesen,davon sind drei verstorben
Am lo.4.1841 starb Bernd Sepe geborener aufn Orde in Fladderlohausen
er wurde in Holdorf begraben.Die Kinder sind großjährig bei seinem Ableb
ben. Er wurde 65 Jahre alt.
Seine Frau starb am 26.5.1846,wurde am 29.5.1846 in Holdorf begraben:
Catharina Adelheit Sepe,Witwe Bernd aufn Orde,Kötter in Fladderlohhausen

Diese Familie ist zusammen!
Nach meinen Unterlagen ist nun im Jahre 1836 ausgewandert aus Fladder-
lohausen:
Bernard Heinrich und Josef Seep,Söhne des verstorbenen Kötters Bernd
Seep. Hier passt nicht, daß angegeben wurde, daß der Vater schon ver-
storben sei!
? Aber nur hier kommt der Josef Seep vor. Er hatte aber keine Schwiegermut
ter, denn sein Vater war nur einmal verheiratet gewesen mit der Mutter
geborener Seep.
Ich habe keine weitere Erklärung dafür bisher!
Die Patenmamen der oben angegebenen Kinder des Seep = ufn Ohrde habe
ich alle auch herausgezogen.
Bernard Heinrich geb.18o3 und Joseph Arnold Seppe geboren 1816 sind
aus einer Familie!

Der Vater dieses Joseph war Johann Bernd upen Ohrde,get Damme 23.6.1776
Eltern: Johann Hernamm upn Ohrde,der am 25.11.1767 in Damme die
Anna Maria Pölking aus Steinfeld heiratete.
Paten des Joh.Bernd upn Ohrde waren Joan Bernd Henke Berens,Joan Tym-
permann und Elisabeth grosse Stüve.

Die Mutter der Catharina Adelheid Seep war Witwe Catharina Seep geboren
Moormann aus Fladderlohausen,die am lo.12.1812 starb in Fladderlohausen
und am 12.12.1812 in Holdorf begraben wurde, 68 Jahre alt.

In einer Notiz im Kirchenbuch Damme fidde ich: Am 28.Juli 1817 ist das
Kirchspiel Damme an Oldenburg übergeben,so auhh der größte Teil von
Neuenkirchen. -- Dieses bedeutet, daß vorher - also auch in dem Zeitr
raum als Joseph geboren worden ist-1816- Fladderlohausen noch zu
Osnabrück -gehörte.Vielleicht hat deswegen Joseph gesagt, daß er in
Preußen geboren sei oder daß er aus Pseußen herstamme.

Genau stimmt dieses auch nicht, denn Osnabrück gehörte damals in der
französichen Zeit zu Hannover,aber Westfalen gehörte zu Preußen in
dieser Zeit und die Biechöfe von Osnabrück waren früher oft auch
gleichzeitig Bischöfe von Münster (Preußen).

German Records from Mr. Rehme, continued.

Ich habe nun noch eine Reihe von meinen Auszügen aus den verschiedenste Kirchenbüchern anderer Pfarren zusammengesucht. Man mußte eben alles versuchen,um auf die Seepe zu kommen in den Pfarren.
Diese Sippe damals war sehr verbreitet und manche hatten sich als Heuerleute , daß bedeutet,einer,der von einem größeren Bauern ein Stück Land gepachtet hat und ein kleines Wohnhaus,um darin mit seiner Familie zu leben. Alle Kinder konnten auf dem Hof nicht bleiben und daher mußten bei der öfters anzutreffenden Vielzahl der Kinder auf den Höfen die abgehenden Kinder anderweitig unterkommen, so in Heuerhäusern Diese Leute arbeiteten für den Grundherrn, den Bauern, von dem sie das Haus und Land gepachtet hatten.

Wenn auch einiges mich nicht befriedigt bisher bei meinen Forschungen, ich glaube aber doch die richtige Fährte gefunden zu haben.
Was bei Ihnen an Überlieferungen von dem Urahn überkommen ist, darf auch nur zum Teil stimmen!Ich habe noch die Frage, ob man dort von einem Bruder des Josef Seep etwas weiß? Oder ist er möglicherweise nach der Überfahrt gestorben, auch dieses ist möglich!
Die anderen des Namens Seep, die aus Fladderlohausen auswanderten, kamen teils von dem Hof kleine Seep und waren protestantisch. Ist Josep! der Vorname deutet darauf hin - katholisch und ist er auch katholisch g geblieben? Oder war er Protestant?

Dieses möchte ich gerne noch wissen. Steht auf seinem Grabstein, oder in den Todesnachrichten,wie alt er war? Wenn bei Ihnen die Jahre 1809 und 1814 angegeben werden, dann ist schon mit einer unterschiedlichen Art zu rechnen,bei der Angabe des Geburtsjahres.

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German Records from Mr. Rehme, continued.

Höfen die abgehenden Kinder anderweitig unterkommen, so in Heuerhäusern. Diese Leute arbeiteten für den Grundherrn, den Bauern, von dem sie das Haus und Land gepachtet hatten.

Wenn auch einiges mich nicht befriedigt bisher bei meinen Forschungen, ich glaube aber doch die richtige Fährte gefunden zu haben.
Was bei Ihnen an Überlieferungen von dem Urahn überkommen ist, darf auch nur zum Teil stimmen! Ich habe noch die Frage, ob man dort von einem Bruder des Josef Seep etwas weiß? Oder ist er möglicherweise nach der Überfahrt gestorben, auch dieses ist möglich!
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Frau Ezell! Sie sehen nach meinen bisherigen Ergebnissen, daß ich mich intensiv mit der Seepforschung beschäftigt habe in den letzten Wochen. Ich kann abschließendes aber noch nicht äußern und muß zunächst noch weitere Untersuchungen anstellen. Damme und Neuenkirchen liegen etwa 50 km von Cloppenburg entfernt, ich muß also - ich habe diese Ergebnisse an zwei Tagen in den Kirchenbüchern herausgezogen - ohne die häuslichen Arbeiten daran- mehr-fach diese Wege machen und für mich, der ich keinen Wagen besitze-ich habe kein Auto-muß ich doch allerlei Anwendungen machen, um die Sucharbeit zu erledigen.
Zunächst alles Gute und freudliche Grüße

German Records from Mr. Renme, continued.

Seep-Research, Churchregister in Damme, Oldenburg.

Joseph Seep * July 1, 1816, + USA

Parents: Johann Bernd Unn Ohrde, Koetter Seep, Fladderlohausen ,
~ June 23, 1776, marr. May 16, 1797 Damme, Died April 10, 1841
Fladderlohausen, buried in Holdorf,

Catharina Alheid Seep ~ June 4, 1780 in Damme, *Fladderlohausen,
+May 26, 1846 Fladderlohausen, bur. May 29, 1846 Holdorf

Grandparents: Johann Hermann Unn Ohrde, marr. Nov. 25, 1767 Damme,

~ Aug. 31, 1727 Damme, First name Hermannus, died.....

Anna Maria Poelking, from Steinfeld.

I have searched for a long time in Steinfeld for the Poelkings, who, at that time, lived there in some numbers. So far I have not found a Anna Maria Poelking. There are such first names as Anna Margaretha and related first names, but I cannot clearly recognize the right line as yet.

Joan Gerd Seep, marr. Aug. 16, 1778 Damme, ~ Sep. 17, 1738 in Damme, * in Fladderlohausen, Witnesses: Henrich Rottinghaus, Maria Schoenhoevet, + March 2, 1800, 80 years old (These registers are often rather incorrect with ages)

Catharina Maria Alheit Moormann, ~ March 1, 1745 Damme,

* in Grandorf, +.....

Great-grandparents: Johann auffn Ohrde, *..... marr..... + ...

Catharina Suding, ~ Sep 14, 1710 Damme, * Holdorf,

Witnesses: Arend Suding, Catharina Assmann, Catharina Stienebersche. + ...

Poelking .....

.....

Henrich Seep, marr. Nov. 12, 1725 Damme, * Fladderlohausen,

+ .....

Hermann Moormann, marr..... from Grandorf

Alheid Moormann,

Great-Great-Grandparents: .....

Gerd Suding ..

Margaretha Exeriedesche .....

~ = born, * = baptized , + = died

German Records from Mr. Rehme, continued.

Clonpenburg, April 9, 1978
P.O. Box 1272

Dear Mrs. Ezell

Thank you for your letter of March 31, 1978. In the last few weeks I spent 4 days in Damme and one day in Vechta and have searched for your predecessors. I have extracted information pertaining to many families, but concerning a direct line with the Seepahns I can only be certain of the ones mentioned on the front page. It is very difficult to find the learly correct family lines in the Dammer churchbooks. In the old days no mention was made in the books of the origins, no hint from which farm area the people came. So one finds the same first names of baptized children of families, who live in very different areas of the large parish of Damme.

The death registers only start in 1723 and then - until appx. 1770 - are kept rather sloppily, for instance only the following was mentioned in case of children: Boy from Grandorf buried. No notice from which family he came. Such desparation. The last possibility in these cases is to check the tax register. But even here in most cases only the name of the owner of the farm is mentioned and not the family members. And most of all, the searching in the state archives is very time consuming. I would be very happy, if you, Mrs. Ezell, could obtain a copy of the Crapendorfer Churchbook for me. I will pay the price for it, because I can only manage to work in the church office for 2½ hours in the afternoon, and if I had a readable copy at home, one could search better and more intensive. My lists and pages for the Seep-Family, which I have extracted from a long list of church registers, are considerate. But unfortunately the possibility of combining these family-lines in a clear-cut fashion is more difficult than expected. During my wife's absence I had 4 weeks in which to see to these matters out-of-town, and I enjoyed doing it. But I am not giving up on the Seep-Research and will look for further connections in the future.

On the enclosed map of the village of Fladderlohausen I have circled the Farm Seep with pencil. It is on the basis 1 : 25 000, 1 km = 4 cm.

May I express many thanks for your working with me.

With best regards

Hellmuth Rehme

4590 Cloppenburg , den 25.3.1977
Postfach 1272

Sehr geehrter Frau Ezell!
Ich bekam Ihren ausführlichen langen Brief vom 5.3.77. Vielen Dank.
Ich will mich bemühen, die Sache mit Joseph Seep aufzuklären und ich glaube auch, daß vielleicht Erfolg damit kommen kann. Es gibt hier in der weiteren Nachbarschaft von Lindern eine kleine Bauerschaft aus welcher in der ersten Hälfte des vorigen Jahrhunderts Namensträger Seep auswanderten. Ich habe mehrere Namen in meiner Kartei davon, aber nicht den Joseph Seep, den Sie suchen. Ich muß daher das angegebene Geburtsdatum vom ~~[illegible]~~ 24.12.1809 bei all den in Frage kommenden Pfarren nachsehen, ob dort etwa der J.Seep geboren wurde! Möglich ist dieses durchaus, denn man muß berücksichtigen, daß die Auswanderer in den Jahren , die aus verschiedenen Gegenden hier sich rekrutierten, wenn diese beieinander waren und selbst in der Heimat aus Entfernungen von 50 und mehr km herkamen, sich so fühlten, als ob sie nur aus dem Nachbardorf abstammten.
Ich will jetzt nichts prophezeien, aber es ist für mich die Möglichkeit gegeben, durch Suchen nach dem Seep hier weiter zu kommen.
Leider - das muß ich jetzt berichten - liegt meine Frau seit einigen Wochen im hiesigen Krankenhaus mit einem Herzinfarkt und wenn ich auf Nachsuche nach Ihren Ahnen gehen muß, dann ist es nötig, andere Orte aufzusuchen und dort einen Tag zu bleiben. Ich mag jetzt meine Frau nicht hier allein lassen und sie muß sich erst besser fühlen - allgemein hat sich ihr Zustand gehoben - bevor ich nach auswärts hinfahren kann.
Sie werde dieses verstehen können.
Sie haben die Schreibweise des J.Seep mit unterschiedlichen Namen angegeben. Das wird darauf zurückzuführen sein, daß man dort in der neuen Welt die Namen nach dem Gehör aufschrieb und so dann die verschiedensten Namen notierte. Mit dem Ort Siebachorline kann ich auch nichts anfangen. Meine Familie, von der ich vermute, daß der J.S. dort her kommen kann, weil andere Familienmitglieder nach USA ausgewandert sind in jenen Zeiten, stammt aus Fladderlohausen aus dem alten Amt Damme, Kreis Vechta. Dieser Ort liegt etwa 50 km von Lindern ~~entfernt~~ entfernt, aber das macht eben in der neuen Welt nichts aus. Ich war über 5 Jahre in der russischen Kriegsgefangenschaft in Karelien und wenn man dort einen Kameraden traf, der aus der Heimat war - und wenn es 100 km weg war - dann kam man sich dort vor, als wenn man aus dem gleichen Ort herkam!
So schnell wie ich es kann, werde ich mich um diese Forschungen kümmern. Mich interessiert selbst dabei, ob meine Vermutung richtig ist! Ich habe 7 Auswanderer einer Familie Seep, die von 1836 bis 1849 nach Baltimore und Cincinnati auswanderten. Auch ein Joseph ist dabei, der ist 1836 nach USA hingegangen. Die Familie hieß auch kl.Seep = kleine Seep, zum Unterschied von gr.=große Seep. Es waren ursprünglich Bauernstellen die durch Teilung des älteren, größeren Hofes in "groß" und "klein" Seep sich trennten.
Nun habe ich eine Bitte an Sie! Sie haben mir freundlicherweise für die Nienaberfamilie in Lindern den status animarum von 1750 gegeben.
Er ist aus dem Filmmaterial der Genealogical Society of Salt Lake City.
Ich möchte gerne aus diesem Material des Bistumsarchives Münster den status animarum von Cloppenburg - Crapendorf von 1749 ausgezogen haben. Er müßte auf demselben Filmstreifen sein wie Lindern. Ich würde Ihnen die Kosten ersetzen gerne. Hier in Münster wird aus den Handschriften nicht mehr für Privatpersonen kopiert und daher muß ich den Weg über Sie evtl. machen, um an dieses Material heranzukommen. Vielleicht sind Sie so gut und fahnden nach dem st. anim. von 1749 für Crapendorf für mich.
Der Name Seep ist in gleicher oder anderer Form mir sonst hier nicht begegnet und ich habe daher die Zuversicht, daß es sich um Zweige dieser Familie handeln kann.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen verbleibe ich Ihr

H. Rehme

Hatte der J. Seep keine Verwandte?

German Records from Mr. Rehme, continued.

Helmuth Rehme 439o Cloppenburg, den 5.5.1978
Postfach 1272

Sehr geehrte Frau Ezell!
Ich habe zur Seepforschung noch einige Angaben, die ich Ihnen zugehen lassen möchte.
Die Catharina Adelheid Seep, †26.□29.5.1846 (†Fladderlohausen□Holdorf) ∞ mit Johann Bernd upn Ohrde, Kötter Seep inv- Fladderlohausen
wurde am 4.6.178o in Damme getauft!
Eltern waren: Joan Sepe und Catharina Alheid Mormann.
Paten: Cath. Alheid Blomken, Cath. Mormann und Henrich Sepe

□Damme 21.1o.1753 Seep Joan Henrich mit Schönhövet Catharina Maria Alheit. Zeugen: Franz Wessel und Carl Westendorf (Küster)

Von ihren Kindern fand ich:
-9.1o.1757 Anna Maria Sep
-18.6.1755 Joan Henrich -- Dieses ist der Ahnherr!
-1.9.176o Joan Bernardus
Weiter zurück habe ich noch nicht forschen können, die Zeit ist immer zu kurz dafür!
Die Witwe Catharina Adelheid Sep geb. Mormann aus Fladderlohausen †1o.□12.12.1812 in Holdorf, 68 Jahre alt.
Johann Henrich muß mit 18 Jahren geheiratet haben! Das ist möglich.

Falls von Ihnen möglich, würde ich gerne von dem Film Ger -Film- 9o9,936 die Bapts.-Marrs-und Burs. des Buches von Crapendorf-Cloppenbur für die Jahre 1685 bis 1734 haben.
Es ist ein schmales Buch mit vielen Eintragungen. Es ist dick!
Schreiben Sie mir bitte darüber, ob dieses Kopieren wohl möglich ist und wieviel es kosten wird. Für andere Forschungen, die ich durchzuführen habe, wäre es mir sehr dienlich.

Schönhöft = früher Schönhövet-vergl. oben-ist ein Osnabrücker Halberbe in Diekhausen, Bauerschaft Grandorf, Gemeinde Holdorf, Kreis Vechta. Er ist 76 ha groß heute noch. Früher war er eigenhörig an die Osnabrück Ler Landesherrschaft, kam 1803 an das Hannoversche Königreich, Domanium. Der Hof löste sich aus der Unfreiheit am 28.1.1841 bzw. am 4.4.1846 ab.
Mormann -ich kann dieses noch nicht mit Bestimmtheit sagen, es ist aber anzunehmen- ist ein Osnabrücker Markkotten in Fladderlohausen, der heute von einem Twiehöl bewohnt wird. Etwa 2o ha groß, war eigenhörig an die osnabr. Landesherrschaft, seit 1803 an das Hannoversche Domanium. Abgelöst wurde der Hof aus der Unfreiheit am 19.12.1839 mit [illegible] Reichstaler Geld.

German Records from Mr. Rehme, continued.

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Frau Ezell!
Ich hatte Ihnen geschrieben, daß ich gerne aus den Unterlagen der Genealogischen Gesellschaft dort in Sakt Lake City eine Kopie des Status animarum von Cloppenburg für das Jahr 1749 haben möchte. Wollen Sie sich bitte darum einmal bekümmern. Ich will Sie nicht bedrängen damit,wüßte aber gerne,ob meiner Bitte vielleicht Erfolg beschert sein könnte. Diese Kosten dafür bezahle ich Ihnen aber.

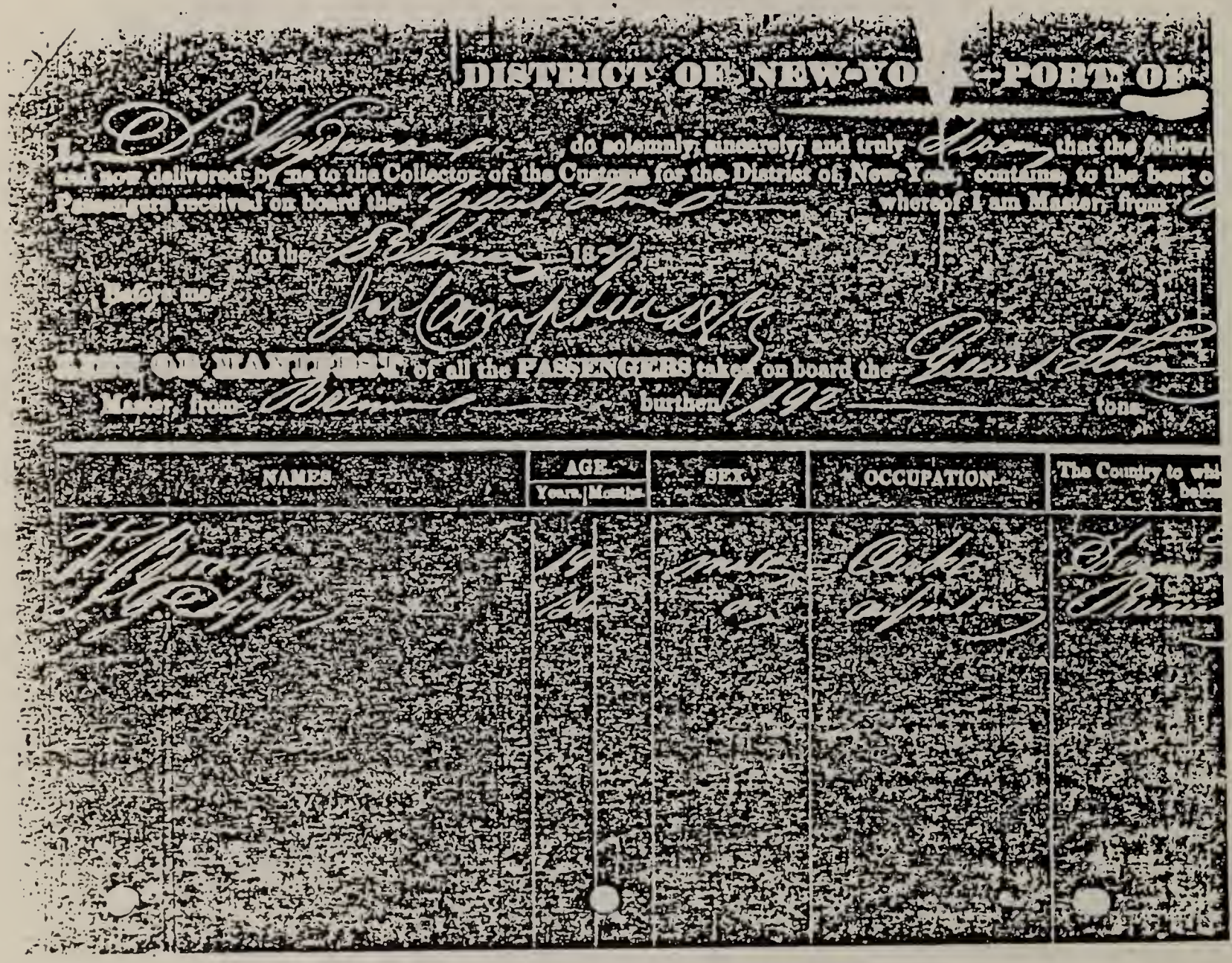
Wir müssen mit unserer Forschung Geduld haben. Rom ist auch nicht in einem Tage erbaut worden!
Ich habe meine Frau zwar jetzt im Hause wieder von ihrem Herzinfarkt - sie hatte 7 Wochen hier im Krankenhaus gelegen-. Sie kann aber noch ganz wenig im Hause tun und ich muß ihr sehr zur Hand gehen Ich tue dieses natürlich gerne, denn wir sind über 4o Jahre jetzt schon zusammen. Mein Sohn war vor einigen Wochen für 8 Tage in USA zu einer Vortragsreise in Boston und Philadelphia gewesen.

Schreiben Sie mir bitte Ihre Ansicht über meine bisherigen Meinungen in Sachen Seep! Es gibt aber noch verschiedenen andere Linien, denen man nachgehen kann.Aber die Auswndererlisten im Amt Vechta haben diese beiden Seeps aus Fladderlohausen aufgeführt und ich bin deshalb - auch wenn dort steht das vom "verstorbenen Vate: ziemlich sicher, daß es hier sich um den Joseph handeln wird!
~~Die Listen aus dem benachbarten Osnabrücker Land,wegen der Auswandere~~ habe ich auch durchgesehen in meinen älteren Materialien,aber bisher keinen Seep dabei gefunden!

Ist 1836 nicht wohl richtig mit dem Ankunftsjahr dort?
Dann war Joseph Seep 2o Jahre alt als er nach USA ging! Und sein Bruder wäre 33 Jahre alt gewesen damals.

H. W. Rehme

German Records from Mr. Rehme, continued.


DISTRICT OF NEW-YO PORT OF

I do solemnly, sincerely, and truly that the follow
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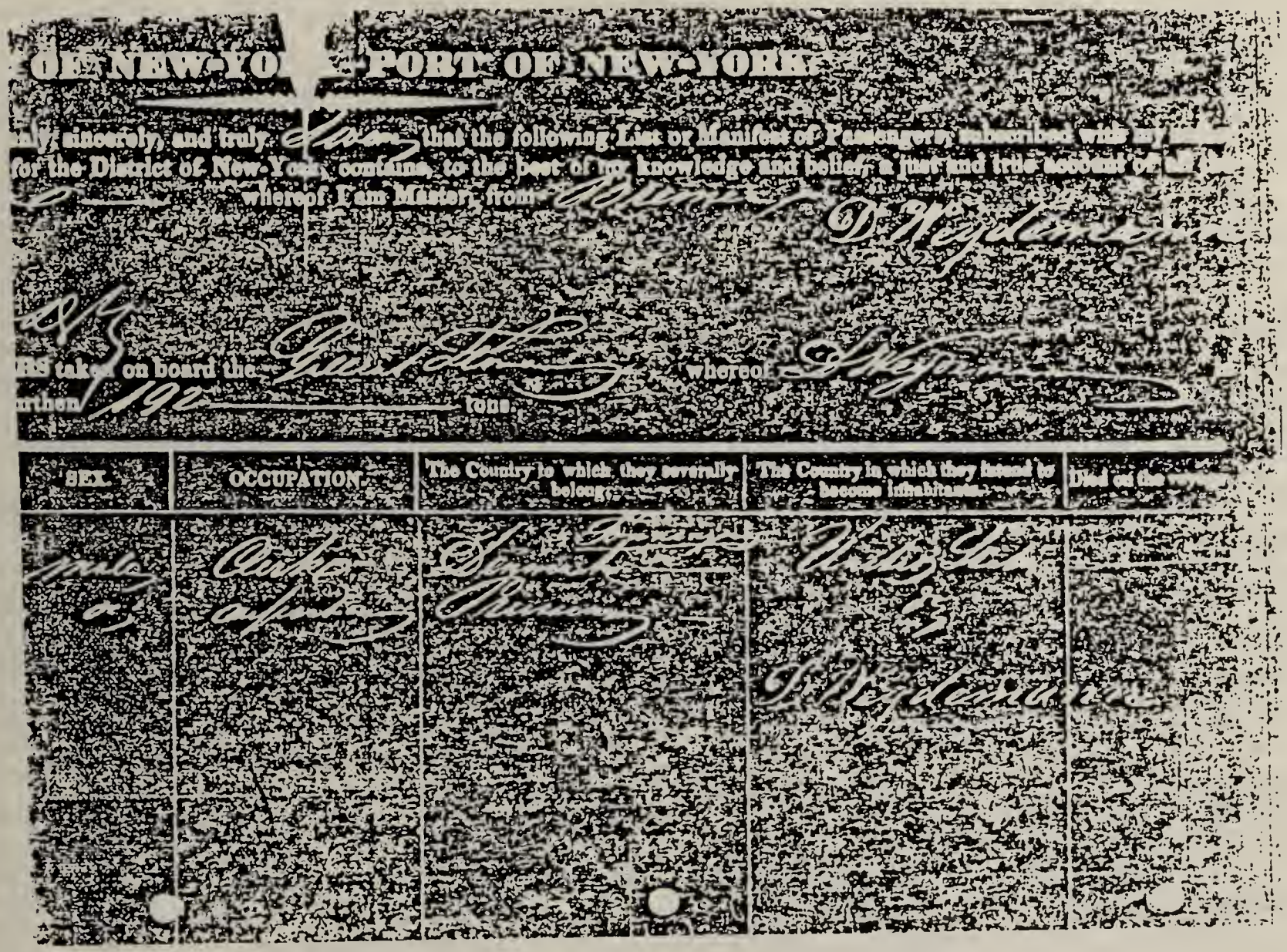
Passengers received on board the whereof I am Master, from
to the 18
Before me
LIST OR MANIFEST of all the PASSENGERS taken on board the
Master, from burthen tons.

NAMES	AGE Years	Months	SEX	OCCUPATION	The Country to wh belo

The two pages of this passenger list should be read across the two pages. If we accept the Joseph Seep who left Flauderlohausen in 1836 as our Joseph Seab, then this could be the immigration record of our Joseph. Nothing in the Seab family ever jibes.



OF NEW-YO[illegible] PORT OF NEW-YORK

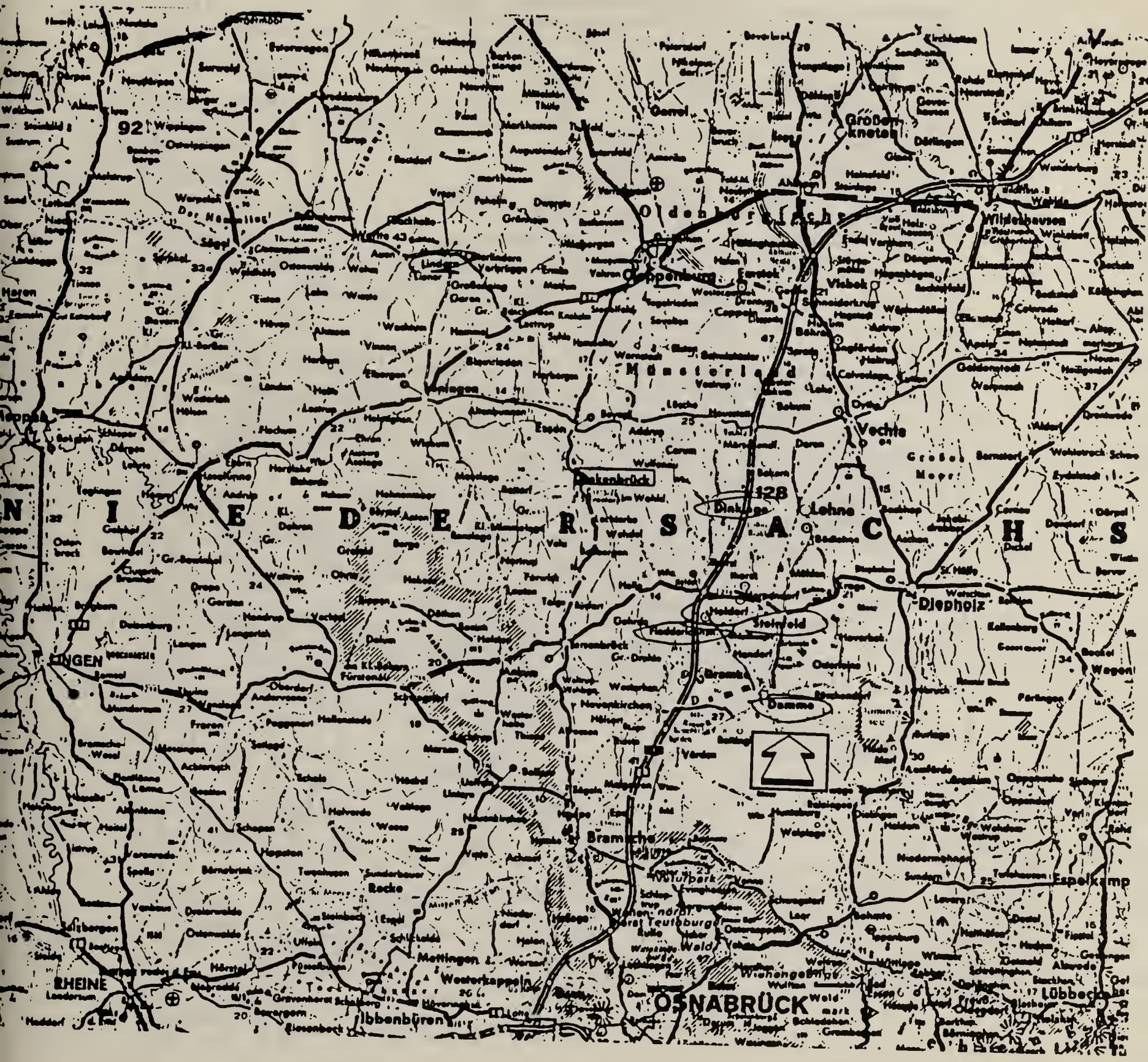
[illegible]ly, sincerely, and truly [illegible] that the following List or Manifest of Passengers, subscribed with my [illegible] for the District of New-York, contains, to the best of my knowledge and belief, a just and true account of all [illegible] whereof I am Master, from [illegible] D. Weydemann

[illegible] taken on board the [illegible] whereof [illegible] [illegible]rthen 192 tons.

SEX.	OCCUPATION.	The Country in which they severally belong.	The Country in which they intend to become inhabitants.	Died on the voyage.
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	

Passenger record, continued.

Lindern is a small town not shown in this map, It is directly north of Loningen, west of Cloppenburg. The Seep family was from the Damme area.



Damme, the area of the Seep family.

Prussia about the time of Joseph Seep's birth. Historical Atlas, Wm. R. Shepherd.

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Central Europe, 919—1125.

An early map of our area of Germany. Historical Atlas, Wm. R. Shepherd.

A map showing the location of Greifswald, the city where John David Waschaw's sister lived.

Niederstetten where the Stettheimers were from. This city is many miles south of Oldenburg.

OUR NIENABERS OF GERMANY

CHAPTER 11

We have proof of the connection of our Nienaber family to the family given here of Lindern, Oldenburg Province, Germany though the name Lindern was never handed down in the family in any of the branches of our family in the United States. Mr. Hubert Brennan of Baton Rouge, LA wrote that he never recalled his grandmother (Gesina Maria Nienaber Schnorrenberg, sister of Helena Maria Nienaber Seab) ever mentioning "Lindern". She always said she was born in "Oldenburg". Oldenburg, from time to time, was a Grand Duchy, a province, state or county, in which Lindern was (and is) located. In that geographical section there is a city named "Oldenburg", which is most probably the capital of the section. The much larger geographical area in which all of these are located is now "Niedersachsen".

A reference book (written in German) states that the seat of the Nienaber family is in Westphalia. Westphalia is a province in northwestern Germany which borders onto the Netherlands. Today Westphalia is a part of the British Zone of occupation. I found one 1750 record of Lindern in the Catholic Church Archives at Munster, Westphalia, Germany, in which the name Nienaber showed. When I asked the German genealogist what the record was, he studied it for awhile, then said he could not say as the record was in Latin.

The more perfect spelling of the name is "Nienhaber". But it is also found spelled variously "Naunapper", "Neinaber" and "Neunaber". Nienaber means "new neighbor". Our genealogist in Cloppenburg, Germany states it comes from the dialect Plattdeutschen. I had hoped this dialect could be traced to a locality but was informed it means only "German dialect -- the language of the common folk".

My understanding of how to pronouce the name is to make it sound like "knee neighbor". Our German researcher said our Nienabers were not serfs as they owned a small plot of land. I have always prided myself in believing I was not a snob but this nearly floored me. I believe it was because I never had considered that any of my family could be serfs or slaves.

Mr. Rehme, our German researcher, sent me a photo copy of the Nienaber plat of land in Lindern, stating Sprick followed Nienaber on this property. The old map was the first of its kind in the area, 150 years old, a large map hanging on the wall in Cloppenburg in their archives. He said he sent the best copy he could get. The lines drawn are very light and the map is worn out from long use. He was able to get the copy because of his connection with the office, but he was happy to send it to me since it is an original from the old home of my ancestors. He marked for us where north is as it is not at the top. The property is south of the road which goes from Lindern to Auen. The church of Lindern is located eastward and is not shown on this portion of the map. See the copy at the end of this chapter.

Our Nienaber line is proven. Knowing the names of the first arrivals to this country, their ages and the town they moved from was an excellent base to start researching. Being Catholic made it easy also as the Catholics kept excellent records.

Until the passenger list was found, we knew only they were from the province of Oldenburg. Until you know where in Oldenburg, no real research can be started. A lot of time and money can be spent looking for them.

William Hadskey (now of Jacksonville, TX) wrote in 1979, "My mother was a Lehmann and possibly because the Lehmanns and Seabs had German blood, the families were quite close. .. Grandma Lehmann was Arminia Volkhausen. We do not have anything on her family except she had a sister, Henrietta, who I presume married a Tagel or possibly a daughter of Henrietta did. She had two brothers who were druggists as was her father who was named Wilhelm Volkhausen. They lived in Eystrup, not far from the Nienabers." 1991 he wrote: In looking over your maps I noted that Lindern is nearly directly north and only a few kilometers from Loningen where GrandPa Charlie Lehmann was born so there is no doubt in my mind that the Lehmanns knew the Nienabers. GrandPa's father was a judge and was at various places. They lived at Eystrup when he was a teen ager.

The German genealogist in SLC (Family History Library in Salt Lake City, UT) said there were several Linderns but he pinpointed the correct one on the map for me. As there were no records in SLC for Lindern, it was necessary to hire a professional genealogist to research for us. One was eventually found in Cloppenburg -- Mr. Hellmuth Rehme, Bauoberamtmann i.R., 459 Cloppenburg, Postfoch 1272. He is a retired engineer. He has a son who has lectured in the U.S. I believe we were most fortunate in finding him as he was not only very capable but was of the highest integrity.

The passenger list of the arrival of the first migration of our Nienaber family can be seen in the Chapter JOSEPH SEAB, IMMIGRANT. See also the Chapter SEAB FAMILY OF GERMANY for maps of the area of our Nienaber family.

From the passenger list of the migration of our Nienabers we learned a number of things: They arrived on the Bark Johanna June 20, 1842 from Bremen, Germany bound for New Orleans. There seems to be friends and relatives who made the trip with them. The data on our own family is:

Name	Age	Sex	Occupation	Country To Which They Belong	Destination
Joh. Hinr. Nienaber	42	Male	Farmer	Lindern	Natchez
Anna Maria do	27	Female	-	do	do
Helena Mar. do	18	do	-	do	do
Cath. do	1/2	do	-	do	do

Our own branch of the Nienaber family was in Lindern of the Province of Oldenburg before 1693. Unfortunately, there is a gap of about 35 years in the records which makes the proof of our family back to the original settler impossible. This period of missing records began in 1754 when an old priest Heinrich Meyer died and it is believed there was a priest who succeeded him who was very lax in keeping the records. Also, it could be that a book is missing and, if so, there is always the possibility of the book being found, sometimes even in a neighboring parish.

Mentioned above, there is a 1750 church record of Lindern taken of their membership which gives the marriages, baptisms and deaths that occurred during that year and also a family register of that year. These records were in an archive at Munster -- Munster, Bistumarchive Nordrhein, Westfalen, Germany. There is one Nienaber family in the family register which gives the full maiden name of the wife with the two children and their ages. This record in Westfalen is the record that was written in Latin. Unfortunately again this record is too early to prove the link missing in the records at Lindern. The complete family register was copied as there are many interrelationships of our Nienabers to other members in the church. The entry on our family was "blown up" so that it could be read easily. Photo copies from this register are pages 92 through 99. The page numbers 1 through 14 are my numbering which I added so that there would be no chance of the pages getting mixed up of the records. The photo copy can be found at the end of this chapter.

Our Nienabers in Germany and most of them in the U.S. other than the Seab descendants, are Catholics. It is the Catholic records of Lindern from which we get our information. The transiation of the record from Mr. Rehme follows:

The first Nienaber record in Lindern is for ***Gerardus*** who married 28 June 1693 ***Gesina Kilmer*** with witnesses Eilardo von Gronumb and Wilhelmo Wiletu. Baptismal records show their children (the godparents are relatives):

1/ ***Eilard Lucas Nienaber***, born and baptised 20 May 1695 with godparents Eilard Berssenbrugge, Mine Kilmer, Johann Murrmann and Anna Maria Rave.

2/ ***Helena Nienaber***, baptised 16 August 1698, died 4 Dec. 1700, 2 years old. Godparents: Catharina Kolmer, Lubbertus Lubbers, Margaretha Thulsfeld.

3/ ***Hermann Henrich Nienaber***, bapt 25 April 1700. Godparents: Hermann GruBing, Hermann Henrich Rave, Modesta Jontblout.

4/ ***Tecia Maria Nienaber***, bapt. 15 Sept. 1701. Godparents: Thalia Ninhaus, Hermann Thoben, Anna Focky.

5/ ***Wilhelm Andreas Nienaber***, bapt. 5 Dec. 1784. Godparents: Wilhelm Andreas Drees, Phenenna Wileky, Sive Funky.

The death record is given for Gerardus but does not state his age. He was buried on 5 Oct. 1713 in Lindern. His wife Gesina Kolmer Nienaber was buried 27 May 1732, age 80. This age presents a problem. Anyone who has worked with old records know that it is easy to pick up a number incorrectly, not through carelessness but because it looks differently from what it is. Gesina was born about 1652, if she were 80 when she died. She married when she was 41, had her first child when age 43 and her last at age 52. I would be more inclined to think the 8 was really a 6.

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In all probability we descend through the eldest son ***Eilard Lucas Nienaber*** as the 1750 census showed him as being the only Nienaber family at that time in Lindern. He married first on 8 June 1718 ***Maria Verwoldt***. She died 20 Nov. 1720 leaving no record of a child.

He married second ***Gesina Kohlschmidt*** who was age 51 on the 1750 census, making her born about 1699. They had:

1/ ***Phenenna Catharina Nienaber*** bapt. 23 Oct. 1730 in Lindern. Godparents: Catharina Kolmer, Henricus Funcke and Magdalena CruSing, Lindern. She died 4 April 1764, 30 years old at Lindern.

2/ ***Gerardus Henricus Nienaber***, bapt. 17 Dec. 1733 in Lindern. Godparents: Johann Henricus Eilers, Tecla Kolmers and Gerardus Hagen, Lindern.

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Next follows the line for which we have no proof. In all probability we have it correct as the earliest records showed very few Nienabers there. If there were other male heirs who lived to marry and establish families, it seems as if they moved to another locality. We do know that in the 19th century he was a small landowner. He was free; he was not a serf. Where property and land holdings were small, the parent of this era did not divide his land among his sons. It was usually the eldest who inherited all of his property. This could be a logical explanation of why only one family of each generation remained in Lindern. And usually where a system of very large landowners existed, many times it was even more difficult to buy land.

As noted in the family of Lucas Nienaber, there was a son born: Gerardus Henricus in 1733. Because of missing records, we have no records of his marriage or of the baptism of his children. It is for this reason that his link cannot be proven. His death record shows him being buried on 3 Sept. 1802, age 67.

Gerhard Henrich Nienaber appears on the record when he married on 26 Apr. 1791. He is the grandfather of our ***Helena Maria Nienaber Seab***. Gerhard Henrich Nienaber died 25 Nov. 1821, age 63 which makes him b 1759. There were no marriage records for Nienabers between 1725 and 1760 in Lindern. Gerardus Henricus Nienaber was age 26 in 1759 when Gerhard Henrich Nienaber was born which is a common age for fathers with infants in their households. And so this connection is very plausable though not proven.

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The records are complete for our family from this time until departure for America.

Gerhard Henrich Nienaber married at Lindern 24 April 1791 ***Helena Margaretha Wilken***. Witnesses: Wilhelm Wilchen, custodian. She was born/baptised 30 Oct 1770 as Helena Margaretha Elisebeth Wilchen. Godparents: Elisabeth Koldemeyer, Andreas Rensen. She was the daughter of ***Johann Hermann Wilchen*** and ***Anna Maria Rensen***. They were not married at Lindern and so this entry was not found. They had the following:

1/ ***Helena Maria Elisabeth Nienaber*** born/baptised 9 March 1793. Godparents: Gensina Maria Kolmeyer, Mathias Ruhlander.

2/ ***Anna Maria Nienaber***, born/baptised 6 August 1795. Godparents: Maria Elisabeth Nienaber, Johann Wilhelm Wilchen. Died 12 April 1799, age 6 years old.

3/ ***Gesina Margaretha Nienaber***, born/baptised 17 Sept. 1797. Godparents: Johann Hermann Wilcke, Angela Margaretha Funcke.

4/ ***Johann Henricus Nienaber***, (our ancestor and emmigrant), born/baptised 8/3/1800. Godparents: Johann Henrich Koldemeyer, village magistrate, accredited by bishop of Munster and Gesina Margaretha Wilcken. Johann Henricus Nienaber married 16 Feb. 1822 ***Helena Margaretha Wehs***, died in Franklin Co., Miss.

5/ ***Johann Hermann Nienaber***, born/bapt. 8 Nov. 1802 at Lindern. Godparents: Johann Henrich Rublander, Maria Rensen cond. Wilcke.

6/ ***Maria Elisabeth Hemitaria Nienaber***, born/bapt. 16 Sept. 1805. Godparents: Catharina Wilcken, Matthias Ruhlander.

7/ ***Bernard Friedrich Nienaber***, born/bapt. 14 May 1808. Godparents: Bernard Friedrich Kollemer, Maria Catharina Wilcken. Died 18 Dec. 1828, age 20 years 7 months 7 days.

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Johann Hinrich (or Johann Henricus) Nienaber (emmigrant to America) was born/bapt. 8 March 1800 in Lindern, Province of Oldenburg, Germany with Godparents: Johann Henrich Koldemeyer, village magistrate accredited by bishop of Munster and Gesina Margaretha Wilcken. He was the eldest son of ***Gerhard Henrich Nienaber*** and ***Helena Margaretha Wilken***. He died in Mississippi while living in the home of his daughter Helena Maria Nienaber Seab in Franklin Co. and is buried near his daughter and her husband Joseph Seab in a wooded area not far from Roxie, Miss.

He married first ***Margaretha Wehs*** (when they were designated as settlers at Lindern) on 16 Feb. 1822 (St. Catherina). Witnesses were Johann Friedrich Pielage, parish clerk and Johann Harm Costers.

Their children were:

1/ ***Gerd Henrich Nienaber***, born 2 Aug 1822, baptised 3 Aug 1822. Godparents: Johann Berndt, Henrich West and Anna Maria Nienaber.

2/ ***Helena Maria Nienaber***, born 2 Aug 1823, bapt. 3 August 1823. Godparents: Maria Engel Wehs and Johann Henrich Ruhlander. She died in Franklin Co., Miss. 3 Sept 1901 and is buried near the graves of her husband and father.

3/ ***Bernd Friedrich Nienaber***, born 24 July 1825, bapt. 25 July 1825, died 26 May 1830. Godparents: Bernd Friedrich Nienaber and Gesina West.

4/ ***Maria Catharina Nienaber***, born 11 June 1829, bapt. 12 June 1829. Godparents: Johann Henrich Drees and Maria Catharina Wehs, beyde aus Lindern.

5/ ***Bernard Friedrich Nienaber***, b 16 June 1831, bapt. 13 June 1831. Godparents Gerhardus Luken of Peheim and Maria Wess born Nehaus of Markhausen.

6/ ***Heinrich Anton Nienaber***, b 2 May 1833, bapt. 3 May 1833. Godparents: Hermann Heinrich Kosters at Lindern and Gesina Margaretha Luken born Nienaber of Peheim.

7/ ***Gesina Maria Nienaber***, b 2 Sept. 1835, bapt. 3 Sept. 1835. Godparents: Stepen Wess and Gesina Maria Koldemeier born Wagener, both of Lindern. This child is twin of No. 8.

8/ ***Margaretha Elisabeth Nienaber***, born 2 Sept. 1835, bapt. 3 Sept. 1835. Godparents: Johann Heinrich Focken of Lindern and Anna Catharina Rulander born Meyer of Liener. Twin.

Margaretha Wehs Nienaber died 14 April 1838, buried 17 April 1838, wife of ***Johann Hinrich Nienaber***, houseowner at Lindern. She was 33 years old.

Widower Johann Hinrich Nienaber, former husband of Helena Margaretha Wehs, houseowner of Lindern, married second 16 May 1840 at Lindern the "virgin" ***Anna Maria Wolke***, the daughter of ***Johann Gerd Wolke*** and ***Anna Maria Tepe*** of Timmerlage, who resides at Lindern. Witnesses: Kuster Bern, Anton Meyer and Johann Wilh. Tepe, Lindern.

They had issue:

9/ ***Gesina Margaretha Nienaber***, born 5 Aug 1841, bapt. 6 Aug 1841 at Lindern. Parents: ***Johann Hinricus Nienaber*** and ***Anna Maria Wolke***, houseowner. Godparents: Gerhardus Hinricus Drees, Maria Gesina Wolke, both of Lindern.

End of the Nienaber record from Germany.

Mr. Rehme wrote concerning the above record:

Hellmuth Rehme

459 Cloppenburg, June 25, 1975
P. O. Box 1272

Dear Mrs. Ezell,
As I told you in my letter of May 25, 1975, I started with the research on the name Nienaber. I am not satisfied with the results I got. There are several reasons for my dissatisfaction: After checking the parish register at Lindern, Landkreis Cloppenburg, several times, I found that there is a gap in the records which apply to your ancestors. Therefore, I cannot tie up the loose ends because essential dates are missing. The reasons why such gaps exist is not clear. Perhaps the explanation is that during certain periods the priest was lax in keeping the records. The Gothic script presents no problem for me to read, but when the names and dates are missing - omitted by the priest - I am lost even if I were to look through the book many times. I wrote down everything which applies to your research to help you make the connections.
In the middle of the 18th century there is a date of birth missing for a key person in the Nienaber family, and even if I try to match the witnesses and relatives I cannot come to any conclusion.
The Nienaber family is mentioned in Lindern since 1693. The parish records of Lindern exist still from 1693, but the records of births, marriages and deaths were kept from 1651. Unfortunately, the records of approximately 35 years were lost. The copies of the oldest records of Lindern were never made. The information you gave me about the Nienaber family in your letter of May 2, 1975 gave me a good point of departure. I did not find any mention of death in Lindern of any members of the family.

The names of the witnesses of the marriages in the U.S.A. (in Natchez and for Helena Maria Nienaber (Seab's) did not help because they were not from Lindern.
I am giving you in my research notes the names of the relatives of the Nienabers and their wives because they may be useful to you.
The family Nienaber is in the Lindern - Kirchdorf locality for a long time. The earliest mention is from the year 1693. Nienaber was a settler; in the 19th century he was a small farmer who worked on his own land to make his living. He was free, not a serf.
The family Nienaber in the earliest time was not too numerous. I really extracted every name out of the parish records which has anything to do with the Nienaber family.
The baptism of Gerhard Henrich Nienaber, the grandfather of Helena Maria Nienaber, baptised on August 3 1823 in Lindern, his baptism is not mentioned in the record. He died Nov. 25, 1821 in Lindern and was 62 years old. His parents are also not to be found. According to his death record he was born in 1759, but that cannot be proven as there is no record of his birth. He married in 1790 and therefore was already 30 years old. For his father, according to my research, Geradus Henricus Nienaber who was born in 1733 is the only possibility because during the period between 1725 and 1760 the name Nienaber did not appear in the marriage records. The name of Gerhard Henrich Nienaber's mother does not appear. His father was in 1759 26 years old which is common. My last statement has a good chance of being right to make the connection of the Nienaber line to Gerardus Nienaber who was married in 1693. The old priest Heinrich Meyer in Lindern died in 1754, and after his death the records were not well kept which could explain the missing marriage of G. H. Nienaber and missing births of his children. Every individual entry is in a very short form and tells very little about each person. It is a pity but there is not much you can do with such short entries. You will also appreciate the names of the wives of the Nienabers because their blood is flowing in your viens. That is the reason I extracted all the dates for you, but even here there were limitations. I found many difficulties even with these lines, even when I tried as hard as I did.
The family name NIENABER means - the word came from a dialect Plattdeutschen - "the new neighbor" in the stymological sense. The spelling of the name changed occasionally. The priest wrote it in the parish record according to how he heard it. This accounts for different spellings by different priests, but also different spellings by the same priest because when they brought the child on different occasions the priest heard it differently. I want you to be sure that all the material given in my report is accurate.
For my work please send a check for $290.00 that includes travel expenses to different parishes and to Vechta and my research.
I hope that you will be satisfied with my efforts. Please be so kind and give me your opinion. I work in the genealogical research for many years. It is my second job because I am already 6 years in retirement. From the land of your ancestors I send you many greetings.

/s/ Hellmuth Rehme

I had sent to Mr. Rehme the record I found of a church census in the Church Archives in Westfalia (see later for xerox) and he responded in a letter of 8 Aug 1975:
".. I am very happy that you could ascertain that I have searched for your ancestor in Lindern and that the results satisfied you. It isn't always the case that one is satisfied himself in such a task, thereby not always getting good results. Sometimes I get discouraged when I try and don't get far.
I am also happy that you have found in Salt Lake City the name of your great-grandmother listed in 1750 under Gesina Kohlschmidt. I cannot confirm this Kohlschmidt in Lindern! I immediately tried

to find the origin of Kohlschmidt, but up to now without success. There were no Kohlschmidts in Lindern who were farmers or butchers, and also no tradesmen of that name. They must have come from the neighboring region. I've also enquired along those lines and have received no answer. The name Kohlschmidt is not a common one here. Perhaps it comes from nearby Hammling, and therefore from another political district. Lindern lay and still lies today at an old border. I havent looked around there yet. .."

Why the baby arriving with our family was on the passenger list recorded as Cath. is not known. It is possible the master of the ship heard the name as Catherine or she could have had a third given name. This could illustrate some of the problems in researching all early families. Tradition in the family states the mother and baby died enroute. The passenger list fits in every way for the rest of the family who came to Natchez in the first migration -- Johann Hinrich or Johann Henricus, his daughter Helena Maria Nienaber, his second wife Anna Maria.

Also of interest at the end of this chapter are photos of the St. Katharina Cathedral in Lindern, Oldenburg, Germany where the records were found of our Nienaber family. This Cathedral received extensive remodelling since the emigration of our family.

Tradition states that Helena Maria and her husband Joseph Seab saved money to send for the rest of the family. Though there are two indexes to the passengers who arrived at New Orleans and on the east coast, the names of our family do not appear on any index that was legible to me. The second group should have arrived between 1845 when Helena Maria married and August 1853 when Catherine Nienaber died in an epidemic in or near Natchez. The passenger lists also were studied several times for these dates and our family was not found.

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The following was also sent by Mr. Rehme:

Wehs (West, Wess) is an important line to us as their blood is in our veins. The father of our ***Helena Margaretha Wehs*** was baptised as ***Hermann Henrich Wes*** on 30 Oct 1764 in Lindern. Godparents: Bernard Henrich Buter, Maria Catharina Kessen. His parents are listed as ***Hermann Bernard Wess*** and ***Maria Kampers*** but they were not married in Lindern. They were from Osterlindern bei Lindern.

Hermann Heinrich Wes was married in Lindern on 12 Feb. 1790. He was recorded as ***Henricus West*** and she as ***Maria Catharina Meyer***. However, the baptism records of their children show her name to be ***Maria Catharina Ideler***. This writer is not sure why this descrepancy happened. Could Henricus Wehs have been married twice with the first wife dying in childbirth (as the first record of a child was in 1796)? Or was the name on the marriage record recorded in error?

The children of Hermann Heinrich Wehs and Maria Catharina Ideler were:

1/ ***Anna Maria Angela Wehs***, bapt. 11 Nov. 1796 in Lindern. Godparents: Johann Bernard Ideler, Angela Margaretha Hencken.

2/ ***Helena Margaretha Wehs***, bapt. 16 Apr. 1799 in Lindern. Godparents: Helena Margaretha Hagen, Johann Gerhard Buter. She married 16 Feb 1822, ***Johann Gerhard Buter***. She married 16 Feb 1822, ***Johann Henrich Nienaber.***

3/ Gesina Maria Wehs, bapt. 5 Dec. 1801 in Lindern. Godparents: Gesina Maria Ficken, Johann Stephan West.

4/ ***Anna Catharina Bernardina Wehs***, bapt. 4 May 1804. Godparents: Johann Bernard Enelangen, Maria Granziska Buter.

Die Familie Nienaber aus Lindern in älterer Zeit.

I. Johann Henrich Nienaber et Margaretha Wenss Brinksitzer in Lindern,
oo Lindern 15.2.1822 (St. Catharina), testes: Johann Friedrich Pielage (Küster der Kirche) und Johann Herm Cösters.

Kinder:

1. Gerd Henrich Nienaber, geboren 2.8.1822, getauft 3.8.1822,
Paten: Johann Bernat, Henrich West und Anna Maria Nienaber,

2. Helena Maria Nienaber, geboren 2.8.1823, getauft 3.8.1823,
Paten: Maria Engel Wens und Johann Henrich Rühlander,

3. Bernd Friedrich Nienaber, geboren 24.7.1825, getauft 25.7.1825,
+ 26.5.1830, Paten: Bernd Friedrich Nienaber und Gesina West,

4. Maria Catharina Nienaber, geboren 11.6.1829, getauft 12.6.1829,
Paten: Johann Henrich Drees und Maria Catharina Wehs, beyde aus Lindern,

5. Bernard Friedrich Nienaber, geboren 16.6.1831, getauft 16.6.1831,
Paten: Gerhardus Lüken zu Peheim und Maria Wess geb. Nenaus zu Markhausen,

6. Heinrich Anton Nienaber, geboren 2.5.1833, getauft 5.5.1833,
Paten: Hermann Heinrich Kösters aus Lindern und Gesina Margaret Lüken geb. Nienaber aus Peheim.

7. Gesina Maria Nienaber, geboren 2.9.1835, getauft 3.9.1835,
Paten: Stepen Wess und Gesina Maria Koldemeier geb. Wagener, beide aus Lindern, G.M. Nienaber war Zwillingskind (gemeili) mit Nr. 5.,

Nienaber Records.

8. Margaretha Elisabeth Nienaber, geboren 2.9.1835, getauft 3.9.
1835, Paten: Johann Hinrich Focken aus Lindern und Anna Catharina Ruländer geb. Meyer aus Liener.
+ 14.4.1838, begraben 17.4.1838 die Ehefrau des Johann Hinrich Nienaber Helena Margaretha Wehs, Eigener in Lindern. 38 Jahre alt.
II.oo 15.5.1840 Lindern. Wittwer Johann Hinrich Nienaber der sel. Helena Margaretha Wehs gewesener Ehemann, ein Eigner aus Lindern, mit der Jungfer Anna Maria Wolke, der sel. Eheleute Johann Gerd Wolke und Anna Maria Tepe aus Zimmerlage, selb. wohnen zu Lindern, Zeugen: Küster Bern. Anton Meyer und Johann Wilh. Tepe, Lindern.

9. Gesina Margaretha Nienaber, geboren 5.8.1841, getauft 6.8.
1841 Lindern. Eltern: Johann Hinricus Nienaber und Anna Maria Wolke, ein Eigner. Paten: Gerhardus Hinricus Drees, Maria Gesina Wolke, beyde aus Lindern.

Den von Ihnen genannten Georg "wh died" habe ich nicht gefunden.
Auch die "Catharina", die 1853 gestorben ist dort, habe ich nicht.
Nr. 9. - siehe oben - war etwas älter als 1/2 Jahr als die Familie 1842 auswanderte! Sollte ich hierzu noch Erganzungen späterhin machen könne, gebe ich Nachricht.

Nienaber Records, continued.

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born 8 March bapt

I.Johann Henricus Nienaber geboren 8.3.1800,get. 8.3.1800,

Godparents — village magistrate =

Paten: Johann Henrich Koldemeyer,praefectus (= Vogt =Beauftragter

accredited by bishop of Münster

des Landesherrn, des Bischofs von Münster) und Gesine Margaretha

He was the oldest son (4.) of:

Wilcken. Er war der alteste Sohn seiner Eltern:

married 24 APR

II. Gerhard Henrich Nienaber, oo Lindern 24.4.1791 Helena Margaretha

witness — custodian

Wilken,Zeugen: Wilhelm Wilcken und custode Fielage.

Children:

Kinder:

the same as I.

4). x siehe unter I.

born bapt — Godparents

5). x Johann Hermann Nienaber, geb./get. 8.11.1802, Paten: Johann Henrich Ruhländer,Maria Hensen cond. Wilcke,

born / bapt — "

6). x Maria Elisabeth Nemiterie, geb./get. 15.9.1805, Paten: Catharine Wilcken, Matthias Ruhländer,

born / bapt — "

7). x Bernard Friedrich, geb./get. 14.5.1808,Paten: Bernard Friedric Kollemer, Maria Catharina Wilcken,

born / bapt

1). x Helene Maria Elisabeth,geb./get. 9.3.1793,Paten: Gesina Maria Kolmeyer,Mathias Rü länder,

2). x Anna Maria,geb./get. 6.8.1795 Maria Elisabeth Nienaber,Johann Wilhelm Wilcken,

3). x Gesina Margaretha, geb./get. 17.9.1797,Paten: Johann Hermann Wilcke, Angela Margaretha Funcke,

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Nienaber Records, continued.

Gerd Henrich Nienaber ein Köttner in Lindern, 62 Jahre alt, wurde am
25.11.1821 begraben. (II.). Seine Taufe ist nicht verzeichnet. Von
seinen Kindern wurden begraben:

6.) Maria Elisabeth am 2.3.1813, 7 1/2 Jahre alt,

2.) Anna Maria Elisabeth am 12.4.1799, 6 Jahre alt aus Lindern,

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III. Am 5.9.1802 wird begraben: Henricus Nienaber omnibus Sacram.munitus, 67 Jahre alt ex Lindern.
Dieses ist der Vater von II. Gerd Henrich Nienaber. Er wurde
als Gerardus Henricus Nienaber am 17.12.1733 in Lindern getauft.
Paten: filius Johann Henricus Eilers, und
Gerardus Hageb
, Lindern.

IV. Seine Eltern waren: Lucas Nienaber und Gesina ..... Der Name
der Ehefrau ist nicht überliefert.
Die Eltern heirateten: 8.8.1718 Lucas Nienhaber et Maria Vor-
woldt. Dieses war die erste Ehe des Lucas Nienaber. Seine Frau
Maria Vorwoldt wurde am 20.11.1720 begraben. Kinder aus erster
Ehe fand ich nicht. Lucas dann später eine zweite Ehe
eingegangen mit Gesina ..... Die Trauung ist nicht verzeichnet.
Aus der zweiten Ehe fand ich eine Tochter - also eine Schwester
des III. Gerard Henricus Nienaber, get.17.12.1733:
Anenenna Catharina Nienaber, getauft 23.10.1720 Lindern.
Bei der Eintragung der Eltern steht: ...Nienaber und Gesina ...
Paten waren: filia Catharina Kolmer, Henricus Funcke und Magdalena Grüßing. Lindern,

Nienaber Records, continued.

V. Die Eltern von Lucas Nienaber sind:

Gerardus Nienaber, oo 25.6.1693 Lingern Gesina Kolner.

Gerardus Nienaber aus Lingern wurde am 8.10.1715 begraben. Alter ist nicht angegeben.

Gesina Kolner verheiratet mit Gerardus Nienaber wurde am 22. 5. 1732 begraben, ca. 60 Jahre alt aus Lingern. Die Altersangaben - hier 60 Jahre - sind nicht immer zutreffend, sonst müßte sie 52 Jahren ein Kind gehabt haben!

Bei der Trauung - 1693 - waren Leugen: Eilardo von Bronumb und Wilhelmo Wiletu.

Kinder:

1. Getauft 20.9.1695 Eilard Lucas Nienaber (= IV.), Paten: Eilard Bergenbrügge, Mine Kolmer, Johann Bürrmann, Anna Maria Rave.
2. Get. 16.8.1696 Helena, + 4.12.1700 zwei Jahre alt, Paten: Catharina Kolmer, Lübbertus Bürgers, Margaretha Tülsfeld,
3. Get. 25.4.1700 Hermann Henrich Nienaber, Paten: Hermann Grübing, Hermann Henrich Rave, Podesta Jontblout,
4. Get. 15.9.1701 Hecla Maria Nienaber, Paten: Phadia Minnaus, Hermann Tooben, Anna Focky,
5. Get. 5.12.1704 Wilhelm Andreas Nienaber, Paten: Wilhelm Andreas Drees, Frenenna Filcky, sive Funky,

Nienaber Records, continued.

Soweit die Linie der Nienaber!

Nun zur Familie Wehs,West,Wess, der[1] Frau des Johann Henrich Nienaber,I.

Ihre Eltern waren:henricus West und Maria Catharina Ideler in Lindern.
Diese heirateten am 12.2.1790 in Lindern. Bei der Trauеintragung wird
genannt: Hermann Heinrich Wehs und Maria Catharina Meyer. Bei den
späteren Taufen wird die Mutter Ideler genannt. Es kann ein Schreibfeh-
ler sein. Die Familie Ideler kommt sonst im Kirchspiel Lohne im Olden-
burg vor. Dort habe ich aber die Taufe der C.M.Ideler nicht erfunden.

Kinder dieser Ehe:

Bis 1796 ist bei Kind vermerkt, auch nicht unter Muttersnamen Meyer.

1. Anna Maria Angela, getauft 11.11.1796, Paten: Johann Bernard Ideler,
   Angela Margaretha Hencken,
2. Helena Margaretha, getauft 16.4.1799, Paten: Helena Margaretha Hagen,
   Johann Gerhard Büter,
3. Gesina Maria, getauft 5.12.1801, Paten: Gesina Maria Hicken,Johann
   Stephan West,
4. Anna Catharina Bernardina, getauft 4.5.1804, Paten: Johann Bernard
   Helagen,Maria Franziska Büter,

Nienaber Records, continued.

Zu II.: Helene Margaretha Wilcken: Sie wurde geboren/getauft am 30.10.
1770 als Helena Margaretha Elisabeth Wilcken. Paten:

Elisabeth Holdemeyer, Andreas Bensen.
Ihre Eltern: Johann Hermann Wilcken und
Anna Maria Bensen, die nicht in Lindern getraut
wurden, jedenfalls nicht im Kirchenbuch stehen.

Zu I.: Helena Margaretha Wehs: Der Vater Hermann Heinrich Wehs getauft
30.10.1764 Lindern, Paten: Bernard Henrich Büter, Maria Catharina Kessen. Seine Eltern: Hermann Bernard Wess und
Maria Kampers, die nicht in Lindern
getraut wurden. Die waren aus Österlindern bei Lindern.

Zu I. 7): Bernardus Friderich Nienaber ex Lindern starb am 18.12.
1828, 20 Jahre 7 Monate 7 Tage alt.

Zu IV.: Seite 3, Poenenna Catharina Nienaber starb am 4.4.1764, 30
Jahre alt in Lindern.

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Cloppenburg, den 25.Juni 1975

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Hellmuth Rehme 459 Cloppenburg, den 2o.5.1975
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Sehr geehrte Frau Ezell!
Ich bekam Ihren Brief vom 2.5.75 an Herrn W.Büsing zugesandt, weil ich als Mitglied der Oldenburgischen Gesellschaft für Familienkunde hier im Raum - aus welchem Ihre Vorfahren stammen - vermutlich besser informiert bin als er in Oldenburg.
Ich will gerne Ihren Auftrag übernehmen, aber im Augenblick habe ich noch andere frühere Arbeiten zu erledigen, so daß ich zu Ihrer Ahnenforschung erst später komme. Ich bitte um gefl. Verständnis dafür und werde mich melden, wenn ich bei der Suche nach Ihren Anfragen erste Ergebnisse haben werde.
Der Familienname Nienaber ist hier noch oft zu finden in mehreren Orten der Umgebung von Cloppenburg, d.h. der Kreisstadt des hiesigen Bezirkes.
Nienaber war ein Brinksitzer,d.h. ein kleinerer bäuerlicher Betrieb im Kirchdorf Lindern.

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Hellmuth Rehme

459 Cloppenburg, den 15. Juni 1975
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Sehr geehrte Frau Ezell!

Nach meinem Brief vom 25.5.1975 habe ich mich an die Forschung Nienaber gemacht. Leider bin ich selbst nicht mit dem Ergebnis zufrieden. Das rührt von mehreren Ursachen her:

Die mehrfache Einsichtnahme in die Kirchenbücher von Lindern, Landkreis Cloppenburg, hat bei der Nachsuche nach Ihren Vorfahren einige Lücken gegeben, die nicht zu schließen sind, weil wichtige Daten von Personen sich nicht auffinden lassen. Wo die Schuld zu suchen ist, kann nur vermutet werden: Zu bestimmten Zeiten sind die Bücher nicht so sorgfältig geführt worden, wie man es haben möchte. Die alte, schwer entzifferbare Schrift der früheren Pastoren kann ich wohl gut lesen und entziffern, aber wenn Namen und Daten fehlen - nicht eingetragen sind und auch nicht in benachbarten Pfarren gefunden wurden - ist man machtlos, wenn man noch so oft die einzelnen Bücher durchsieht. Ich habe auf den anliegenden Blättern zu Ihrer Sippe alles aufgeschrieben, was nötig ist, um die Zusammenhänge zu erkennen.

In der Mitte des 18. Jahrhunderts fehlt aber die Geburtsurkunde für eine Schlüsselfigur der Nienaber, die auch mit Taufpaten und sonstigen Vergleichen der verwandtschaftlichen Personen bisher nicht gelöst werden konnte.

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Die Nienaber sind früher in Lindern schon nachweisbar - ab 1693 -
Die Kirchenbücher der Pfarre Lindern gehen ab 1693 und es waren früher dort sogar ab 1651 Aufzeichnungen über Taufen, Trauungen und Begräbnisse vorhanden, die jedoch vermutlich verloren gegangen sind in einer Zeit vor etwa 35 Jahren. Abschriften dieses ältesten Kirchenbuches der Pfarre Lindern sind nicht gefertigt worden leider.
Ihre Angaben über die Familie Nienaber vom 2.5.1975 waren Ausgangspunkt weiterer Forschungen. Der Tod mehrerer Familienmitglieder war in Lindern nicht festzustellen.
Die von Ihnen mitgeteilten Namen der Paten bzw. Zeugen bei Trauungen in USA (in Natchez und zu Helena Maria Nienaber (Seab's) konnten hier keine Hilfe geben, weil diese Familien nicht von hier stammen.

Ich gebe Ihnen aber anbei auch Daten und Namen aus der näheren Verwandtschaft der Nienabers und ihrer Frauen weiter,die ich in meiner Sucharbeit gefunden habe und die Ihnen irgendwie dienlich sein können,
Die Familie Nienaber ist im Ort - Kirchdorf - Lindern seit langer Zeit ansässig gewesen: Beweis ist das älteste Vorkommen des Namens 1693. Nienaber war ein späterer Brinksitzer, im 19. Jahrhundert auch Eigener genannt, d.h. ein kleinerer Farmer, der auf eigener Scholle seinen Lebensunterhalt sich jährlich erarbeitete und der frei war - nicht hörig,nicht leibeigen-.

Die Familie Nienaber ist in der Frühzeit nie sehr groß gewesen zahlenmäßig. Denn in den Kirchenbüchern sind alle Nienabernamen von mir sorgfältig aufgesucht worden,um einen Familienzusammenhang zu erarbeiten.

Die Taufe des Gerhard Henrich Nienaber, des Großvaters von Helena Maria Nienaber, getauft am 9.8.1823 in Lindern, ist nicht verzeichnet. Er ist am 25.11.1821 in Lindern gestorben und war damals 62 Jahre alt. Daher sind seine Eltern auch nicht mit Sicherheit bekannt.Nach dem Vermerk bei der Todeseintragung(1821) müßte er um 1759 geboren sein. Das ist nicht festzustellen. Er heiratete 1790 und war demnach bei der Trauung gut 30 Jahre alt.

Als Vater kommt nach meinen Forschungen nur der 1733 geborene Gerardus Henricus Nienaber in Frage, weil sonstin den ganzen Jahrzehnten von 1725 bis 1760 keiner des Namens Nienaber in den Trauurkunden sich findet. Der Name der Mutter von Gerhard Henrich Nienaber, geb. 1759, ist nicht überliefert. Sein Vater wäre 1759 etwa 26 Jahre alt gewesen,das ist durchaus normal und angängig. Letzte Gewissheit war aber nicht darüber zu bekommen,die Wahrscheinlichkeit der obigen Ausführungen ist aber recht groß, so daß die Linie der Nienaber bis zu dem 1693 getrauten Gerardus Nienaber m.E. unbedenklich weiter geführt werden kann und darf.

1754 starb der alte Pastor Heinrich Meyer in Lindern und nach seinem Tode kann in der Führung der Kirchenbücher eine Unordnung

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eingetreten sein, die das Fehlen der Heiratsurkunde für G.H. Niemeyer und das Fehlen der Geburtseintragung seines Kindes erklärt.
Zu den einzelnen Personen läßt sich wegen der kurzen Form der Angaben in den Kirchenbüchern, die ich zumeist wörtlich zitiere, leider nichts weiter sagen. Das ist sehr schade, aber man kann aus den wenigen Angaben nicht mehr machen!
Sie werden zunächst mehr Wert auf die Nienaberfamilie legen, aber das Blut der Frauen ist auch weitergeflossen zu Ihnen hin, daher habe ich möglichst auch deren Daten und Namen gesucht, um diese Ihnen mitzuteilen. Hier sind aber auch leider Grenzen gesetzt, weil fast überall gleiche Schwierigkeiten wie bei der Nienaberreihe auftauchen, die nicht überwunden werden konnten trotz eifrigen Suchens danach.
Der Familienname "NIENABER" bedeutet - das Wort kommt aus dem Plattdeutschen her -"der neue Nachbar"etymologisch gesehen.
Die Schreibweise des Namens Nienaber wechselte mehrfach. Der Pastor schrieb in den Kirchenbüchern die Namen so, wie er sie mit dem Ohr hörte, nieder. So kamen verschiedene Schreibweisen der verschiedenen Pastore- aber auch des gleichen Pastors - auf.
Ich versichere, daß ich alle Angaben aus den Kirchenbüchern richtig und wahrheitsgetreu ausgezogen habe und daß die Vollständigkeit der Daten und Namen gegeben ist.

Für meine Arbeit darf ich um Zusendung eines Schecks bitten. Für Auslagen,Fahrten zu den verschiedenen Pfarren und nach Vechta und für Bearbeitung setze ich 29o Doller an.
Ich hoffe, daß Sie mit meinen Auswertungen zufrieden sein werden.
Um gefl. Antwort zu meiner Arbeit,bitte, ~~xxx~~schreiben Sie mir.
Ich bin seit Jahrzehnten mit der Familienforschung als Nebenbeschäftigung tatig und seit 6 Jahren schon vom Dienst im Runestand.

Aus der Heimat Ihrer Ahnen sende ich herzliche Grüße

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Vermerk:

Forschung Nienaber-Lindern.

Nach Feststellungen auf dem Katasteramt in Cloppenburg steht das Haus, welches fruhsr (um 1830) dem Brinksitze Nisnaber in Lindern gehörts und wslches nach ihm dann sin Bernard Sprick besass, auf dsn Flurstück 253/1o dsr Flur 6 Lindern, südlich des Lötken = Lütken = Kleinsn Esches an dar Südssite der Straßs von Lindern nach Werlte.
Besitzer wersn in dsr letzten Zeit :Thomas, Johann Wilhelm, Eigner oder Landwirt in Lindern, dann
ab 1961 Eilers, Hermann, Landwirt, dann
1966 Eilers, Witws Helena geborens ~~xxxxxxx~~ Ahrens , dann
1969 Eilers, Stsphan, Landwirt in Lindern.
Dis Gröβe des Besitzes ist 7,oo ha.
Grundbuchblatt Lindern 8 - 134.
Die Nachforschungen nach den Besitzern über einen alten Linderner, der übar die frühsrsn Vsrhältnisss dort gut Bescheid weiß, ergaben leider, trotz mehrfacher Anfrags keine Ergebnisse zu den Vorbesitzern auf der Stalle. Spricks gibt ss heute noch als Landwirte in Osterlindern, aber nihht in Lindern - West.
Von dem ursprünglichen Grundstück Nisnaber um 183o ist mehrfach in neuerer Zeit ein Teilstück abgegeben wordsn und vermesssn.
Die auf der altsn Urkarte von 1835 noch aufgszeichnetsn Gebäudestellen sind auch noch nach der neuesten Kartenaufnahme vorhanden, wenn auch wahrscheinlich in abgeändeter Form dsr Gebäude.
In Lindern ist seit etwa 3o Jahren sins Flurbersinigung im Gangs und dia Karten und Liegenschaftsbücher sind deshalb etwas durcheinander.
Es gäbt also noch heuts als Nachbesitzer dsr Nienabarschen Stalle dort in Lindern sine klsine Landwirtschaft.
Der oben genannte Thomas wird auch "Steffsns" gsnannt im Volksmund, so hat mir jstzt das Pfarramt in Lindern berichtet, welches mir noch ein Exempler der kleinen Schrift über dis Lindernsr Kirche besorgsn will. Ich hatte mein Exempler an Frau Ezell in Salt Laks City vor zwei Jahren abgsgeben.

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H, Rehme 459o Cloppenburg, dsn 7.7.1977
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Sehr geehrts Frau Ezell!
Ich schicke diesen kurzen Vermerk über die Nienaberscha Stelle in Lindern Ihnen zur gefälligen Kenntnisnahme zu.~~xxxxxxx~~
Mit frsundlichen Grüßen

P.S. Eins Karte mit dem altsn Wohnsitz der Saep in Fladderlohausen folgt spätar,

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Hellmuth Rehme

459 Cloppenburg, den 6.10.1975
Postfach 1772

Sehr geehrte Frau Ezell!
Many Thanks for your letter of Sept. 1, 1975 and also for the
Vielen Dank für Ihren Brief vom 1.9.75 und auch für die Überweisung des
I have just returned with my wife from our
Geldbetrages. Ich bin mit meiner Frau von unserer langen Reise wieder
long trip. Now I have a physical difficulty to overcome
zurückgekommen. Nun habe ich körperliche Schwierigkeiten zu überwinden
and will have to spend several weeks in the hospital for an
und muß für einige Wochen in das Krankenhaus zur Operation, das wird vor-
operation. But first I am in a position to answer your
aussehen. Aber erst dann bin ich in der Lage Ihre weiteren Fragen zu be-
questions since I am now confined to the house.
antworten, da ich jetzt an das Haus gebunden bin.
I am especially grateful to you for the "Status Animarum"
Besonders bin ich Ihnen dankbar für den "Status Animarum" von Lindern, den
by Lindern which you so kindly sent me.
Sie mir freundlicherweise zusandten.
I will gladly make further searches for you and report
Ich will gelegentlich später gerne weitere Nachsuche halten und über
on the still unanswered questions
die noch offenen Fragen berichten.
The book by Lindern is being sent under separate cover,
Das Buch von Lindern geht Ihnen gesondert zu, da es weniger Porto kostet.
since it costs less that way.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen
With friendly greetings -
H. Rehme

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An Frau Mildred Ezell in Salt Lake City.

Ich habe auf einer alten Karte von ca. 1837 den Platz in Lindern gefunden, den Ihre Vorfahren dort hatte. Es ist der Brinksitzer Johan Henrich Nienaber - in der Karte mit Ninaber,Joh.Heinr. Binks. angegeben in der Mitte des Ausschnittes wo oben rechts das Wohnhaus steht dann sind zwei kleinere Gebäude dort als Wirtschaftsgebäude vermutlich- Die Karte ist nicht nach Norden ausgerichtet.Ich habe einen kleinen Bleistiftpfeil unten hingesetzt,der nach der Nordrichtung weist.
Der Nienabersche Besitz liegt südlich des Lötken Esches und südlich der Straße, die jetzt vom Ortsteil Lindern nach Auen - Werlte hinführt.Die Kirche von Lindern steht etwas östlich,ist aber auf diesem Ausschnitt nicht mehr verzeichnet.
Der Name Nienhber ist durchgestrichen auf der Karte, der Name des Nachfolgers ist Sprick,Bartholomäus,der wahrscheinlich das Anwesen des Nienaber dann erwarb.
Der Lötke Esch ist der "Kleine Esch" im Gegensatz zum größeren Esch des Ortes Lindern, den die größeren und älteren Bauern füf sich beanspruchten.
Der Platz des alten Nienaberschen Hofes wird sich heute noch in der Örtlichkeit feststellen lassen. Inzwischen sind mehrere Furbereinigungen- d.h. Umlegungen und Verlagerungen der Eigentumsgrundstücke- vorgeommen worden, Man muß ja berücksichtigen, daß etwa 15o Jahre seit der Aufnahme dieses Ortes als Kartenbild vergangen sind.
Das sind fast 5 Generationen im Menschengeschlecht!
Neben dem Lötken Esch nach Westen zu liegt ein Flurstück, welches auch dem Nienaber gehörte,es liegt unmittelbar an der Straße nach Werlte hin.
Die Originalkarte liegt auf dem hiesigen Katasteramt in Cloppenburg im Archiv. Es ist die erste Landvermessungskarte unseres Gebietes.
Die Größe des Hausplatzes mit dem Gartenland wird 566 Quadratruthen gewesen sein, dieses ist ein älteres Flächenmaß, welches hier gebräuchlich war.
Eine bessere Kopie der Karte ist nicht anzufertigen,da die Linien sehr dünn ausgezogen sind und die alten Karten durch den langen Gebrauch arg mitgenommen worden sind. Meine alten behördlichen Beziehungen zu dem Kakasteramt haben die Kopie aber doch ermöglichen lassen.
Ich freue mich, dieses Kartenbild Ihnen geben zu können, denn es ist etwas dargestelltes an Original aus der alten Heimat Ihrer Vorfahren!

"Esch" ist das älteste Ackerland, welches für Brotgetreideanbau angelegt wurde ehemals, als die ersten Siedler sich hier ansässig machten.
Der "Lötke" = kleine Esch kam zeitlich später in Bewirtschaftung.
Man kann schätzen, daß die Brinksitzer sich im ausgehenden Mittelalter hier ansiedelten.

Cloppenburg, den 1.April 1977

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Hel[illegible] Rehme 450[illegible] Cloppenburg, den [illegible].7.19[illegible]
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Liebe Frau Ezell!

Ich bedanke mich herzlich für die Zusendung der noch fehlenden Kopien des zweiten Kirchenbuches der Pfarre St.Andreas,Crapendorf.
Sie haben mir damit eine große Freude gemacht!
Das Paket kam hier unbeschädigt an. Ich hatte meinen letzten Brief an Sie auf englisch geschrieben und Sie werden über meinen Stil wahrscheinlich gelächelt haben,weil ich mich bei der Übertragung vom Deutschen in das Englische vermutlich doch nach den Begriffen der Gramattik vorbeibenommen habe.
Wollen Sie mir bitte die Kosten für die Kopierung freundlichst mitteilen?
Ich bin erst jetzt dazu gekommen Ihnen den Erhalt des Paketes zu bestätigen,weil ich wieder einmal etwas krank war und mich schonen mußte.Ich kann aber sagen,daß es mir jetzt besser geht und ich kann meinen Arbeiten nachgehen wie früher auch.
Zur Zeit habe ich eine Menge an Material von Hofakten zu bearbeiten für das hiesige Museumsdorf in Cloppenburg,welches sehr zeitraubend ist aber mir Freude macht,weil ich die Geschlechter der Höfe,die hierbei in Frage kommen,fast alle kenne,da sie aus der Heimat meiner Mutter sind.
Ich fahre in der nächten Woche nach Hamburg zu zwei meiner Kinder , die dort wohnen und ihre Arbeit haben:Apothekerin und Buchhändler.
Gleichzeitig will ich mich dort mit einer Erbin eines größeren und älteren Gutes hier in der Gegend unterhalten und über den Verbleib des großen und wertvollen Gutsarchives verhandeln,welches die Erbin bei sich hat in Hamburg.
In der Mitte August wollen wir beiden-meine Frau und ich- eine Reise nach dem Zillertal in den Österreichischen Alpen machen für 14 Tage und etwas ausspannen von unseren Krankheiten und unserer Arbeit!
Wir hoffen dabei auf besseres Wetter als es zur Zeit bei uns mit recht vielen Regen und Kühle ist.

Mit herzlichen Grüßen verbleibe ich

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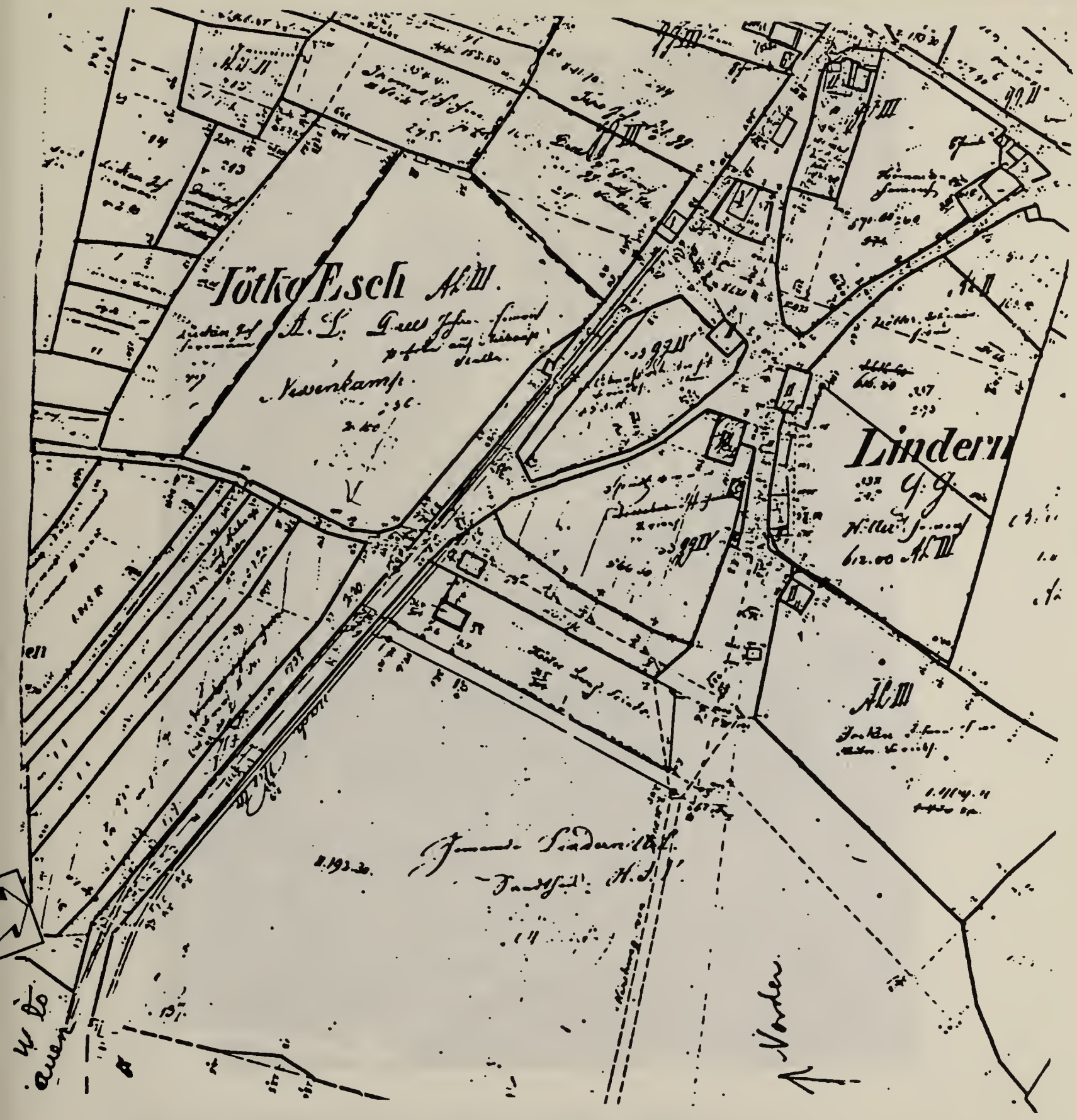
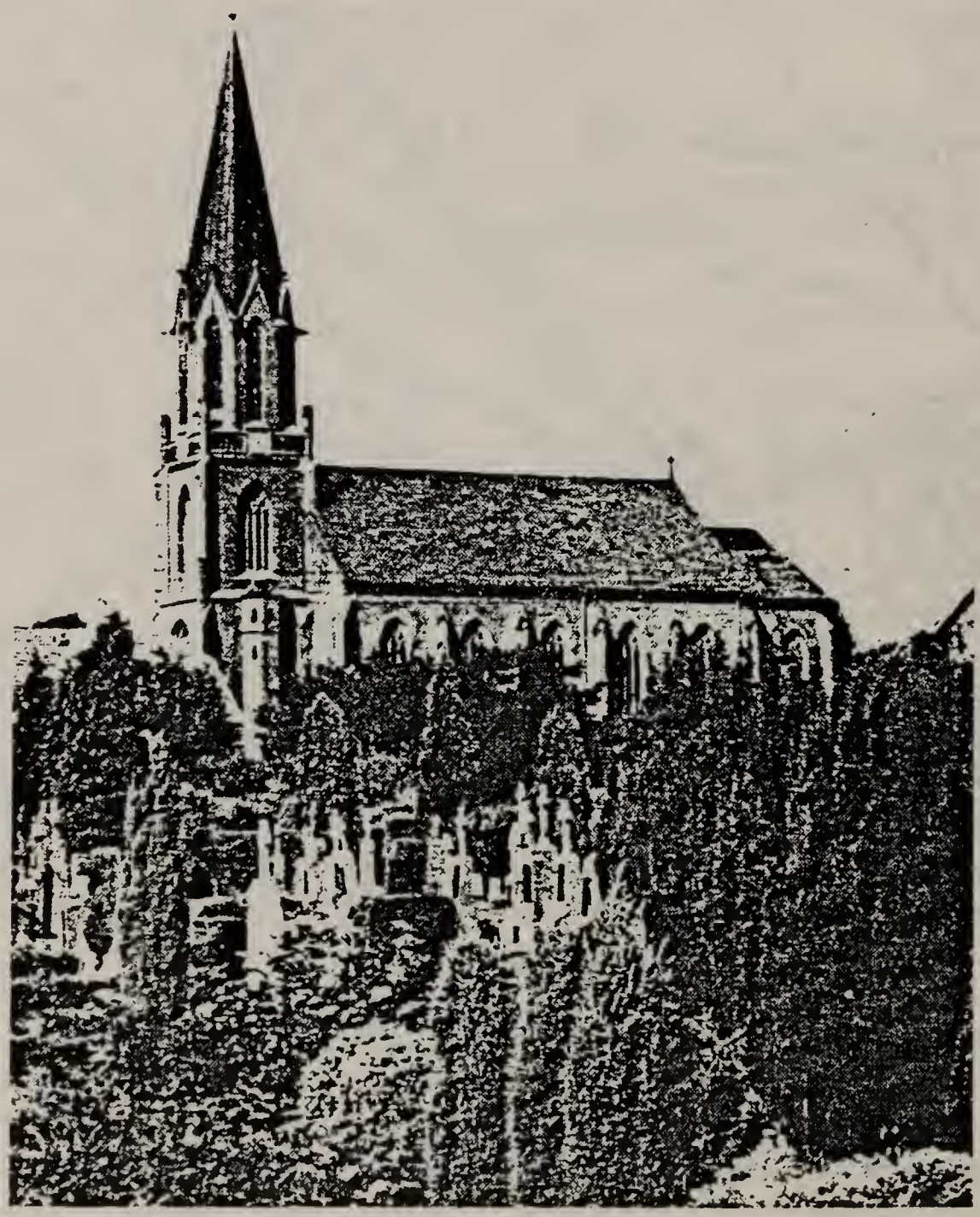
Dankbar

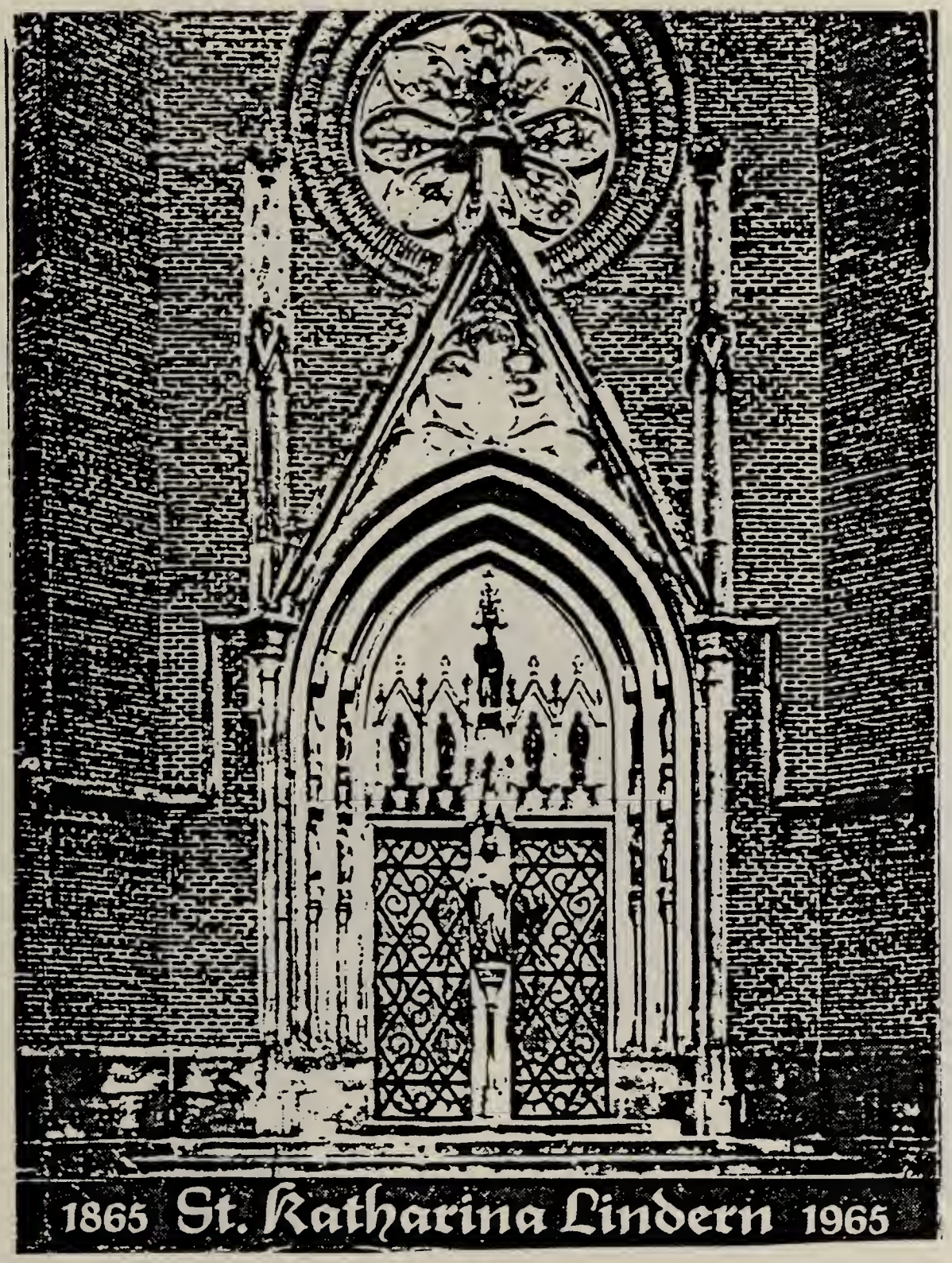
Hr. H. Rehme



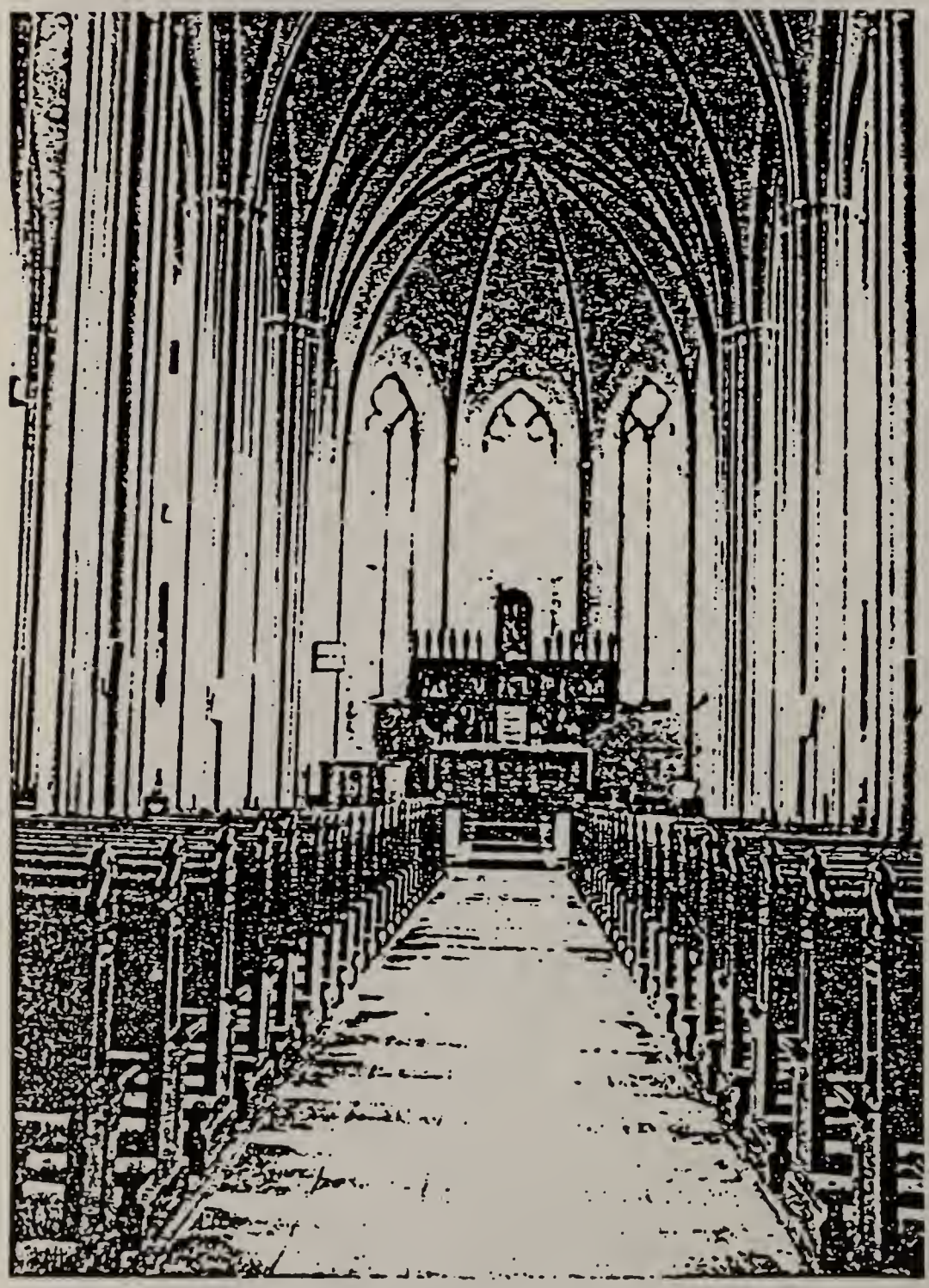
The plat map showing the Nienaber land (marked with an arrow). The St. Katharina Cathedral is located off the upper right hand corner.



St. Katharina Cathedral in Lindern, Oldenburg, Germany where the records were found of our Nienaber family.



Front doors of St. Katharina Cathedral in Lindern, Oldenburg, Germany.



Das Innere der Pfarrkirche.

Inside view of St. Katharine Cathedral.

In neuem Gewande

Im Jahre 1954 wurde die Kirche unter Pfarrer Johannes Hillen neu überholt. Das Dach war durch die Gewalt der Stürme schadhaft und auch die Ausmalung des Inneren unansehnlich und düster geworden. Sie entsprachen keineswegs mehr dem Empfinden der Gläubigen. Die Erneuerung begann mit der Neulegung des Daches. Der Turmhelm wurde mit Kupferplatten überzogen und das Dach mit neuen Schieferplatten gedeckt. Dachdeckermeister Rode aus Osterlindern führte die Arbeiten aus.

Dem Baumeister und Kirchenmaler Baur aus Telgte wurde die künstlerische Ausgestaltung des sakralen Raumes übertragen. Ortsansässige Handwerker führten die Renovierungsarbeiten aus, die Maurerarbeiten Fa. B. Gerdes, die Malerarbeiten machten die hiesigen Maler unter Leitung des Malermeisters Heinrich Thoben. Es dauerte fast ein halbes Jahr, bis alles fertig war. In der Kirche wurde ein gewaltiges Gerüst aufgestellt mit Gerüststangen aus den Wäldern des Sauerlandes. Die Vorarbeiten waren sehr schwierig, das Gewölbe mußte abgekratzt und abgewaschen werden. Fast drei Viertel der Wandflächen wurde abgeschlagen und neu verputzt, die übrigen Flächen mit einer Speziallauge abgewaschen.

„Dann begann die Arbeit, die mit Lust und Liebe getan wurde. Eine Kalktechnik mit Kies und Kalk, der bereits zehn Jahre eingesumpft war, ein uraltes Verfahren, das in Katakomben und alten Kirchen angewandt wurde, lieferte einen Wandüberzug von unheimlicher Dauerhaftigkeit und Härte. Die Flächen werden dabei nicht in üblicher Form gestrichen, sondern die

Schwieriger Transport der Platte des neuen Altares (über zwei Tonnen)

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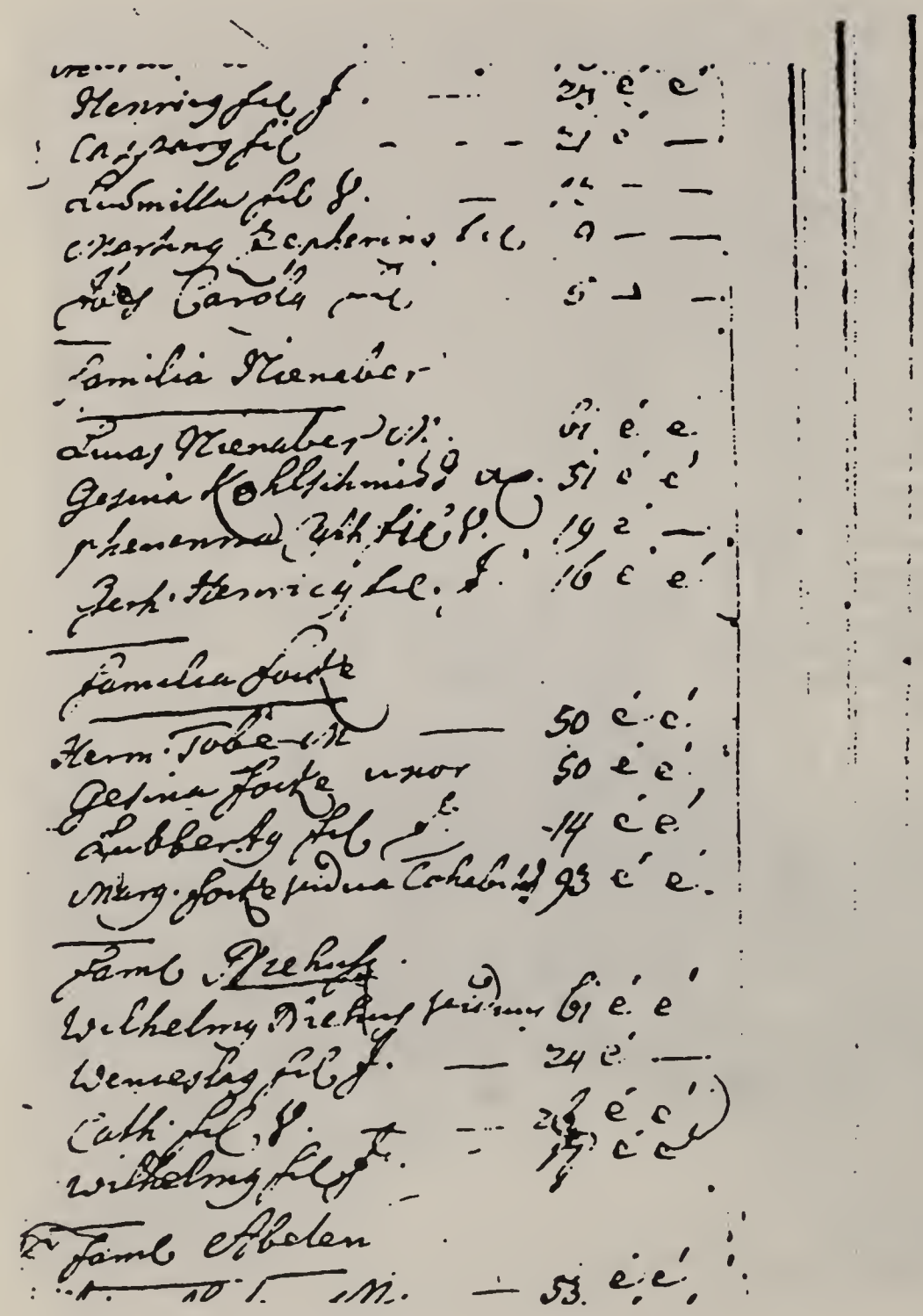
A view taken in the rear of St. Katharina Cathedral showing the new and the old construction.



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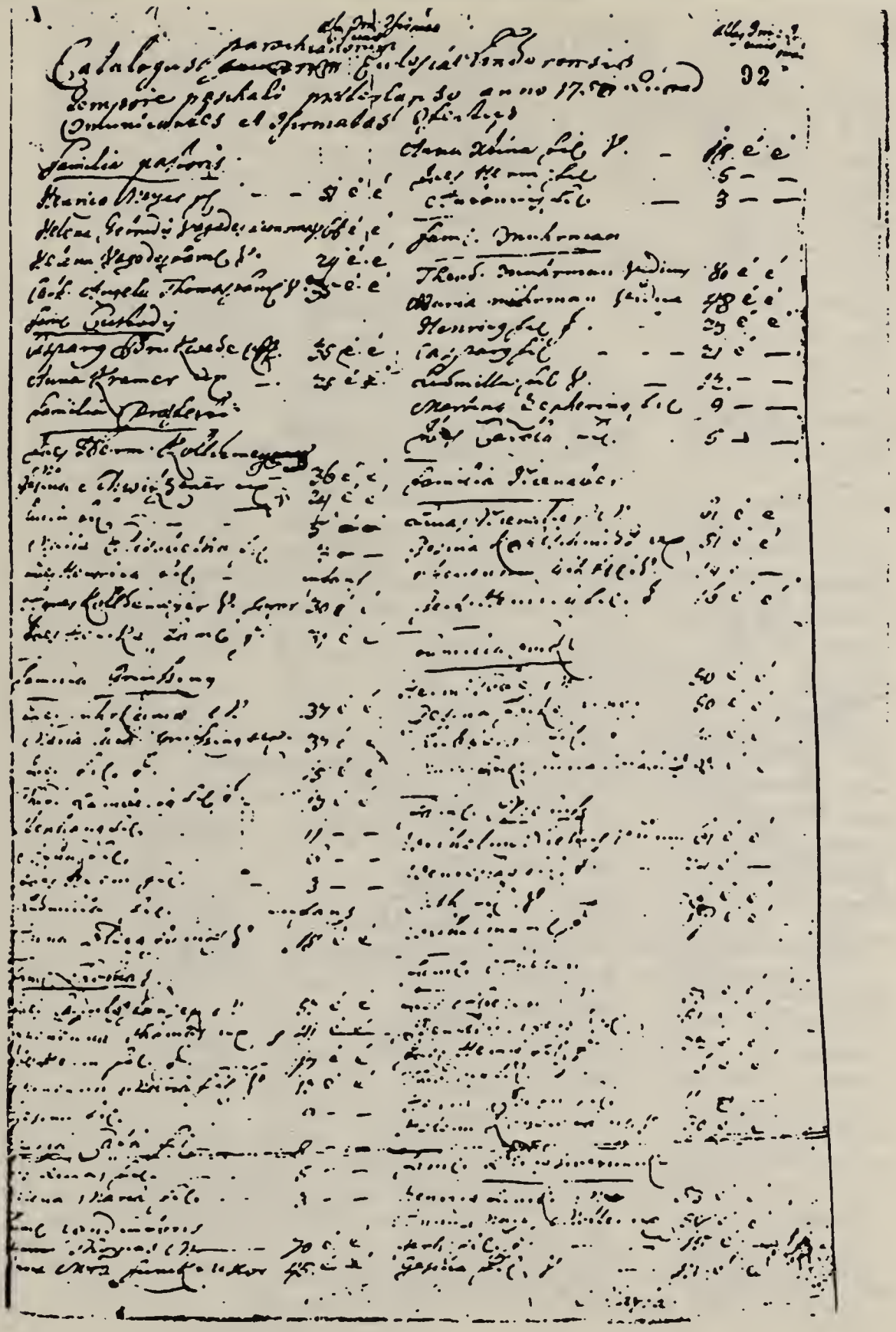

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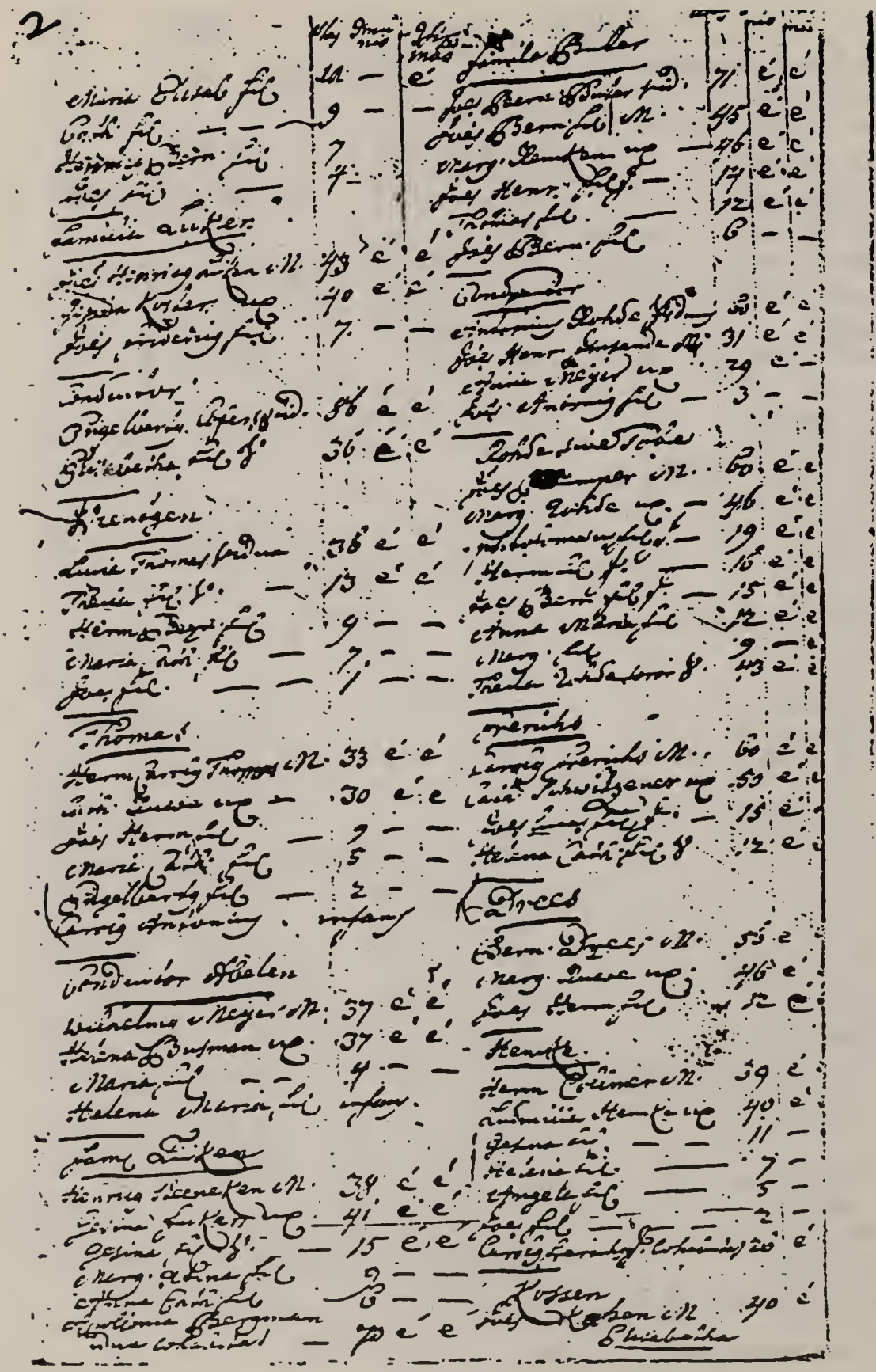

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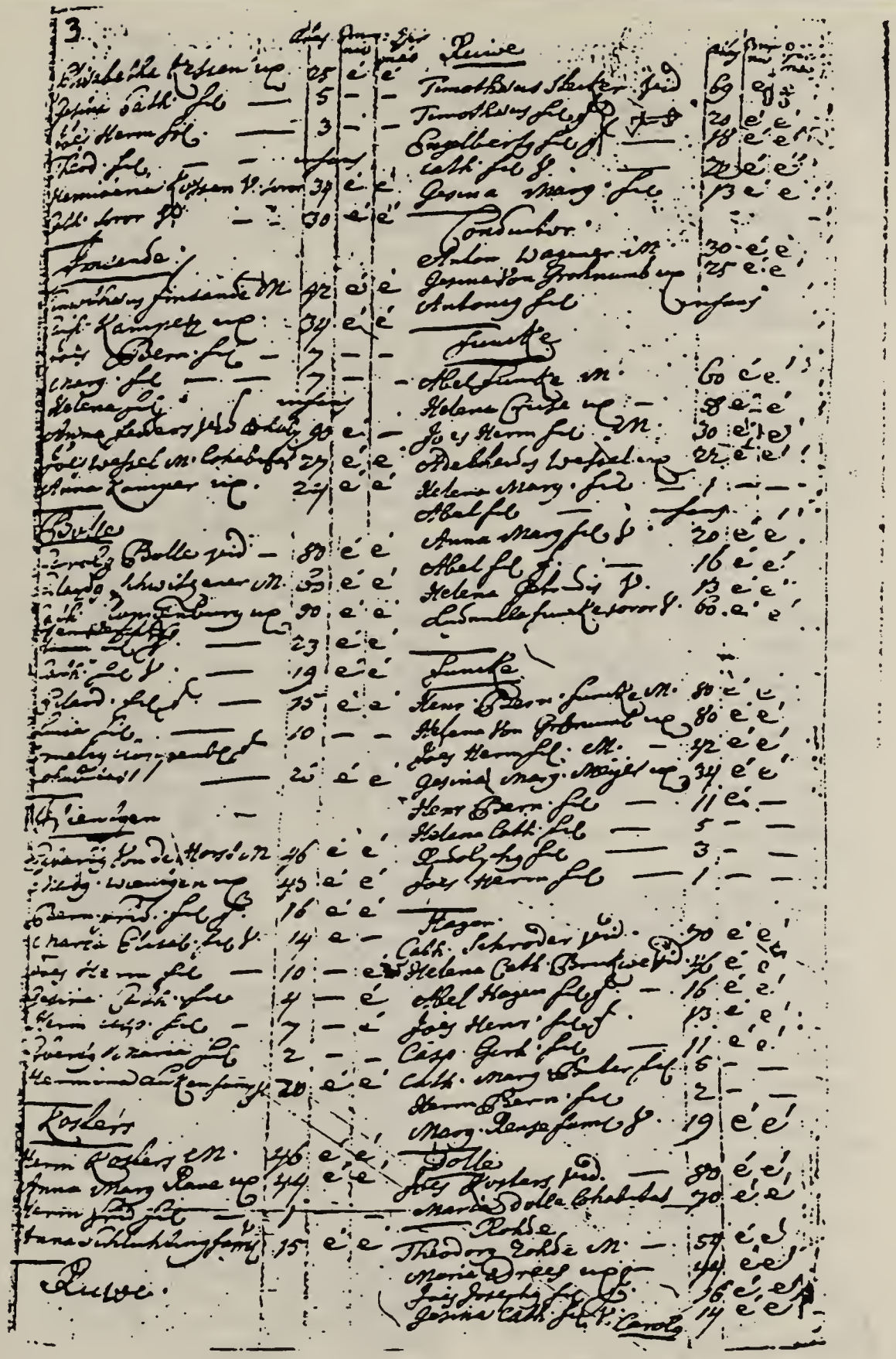

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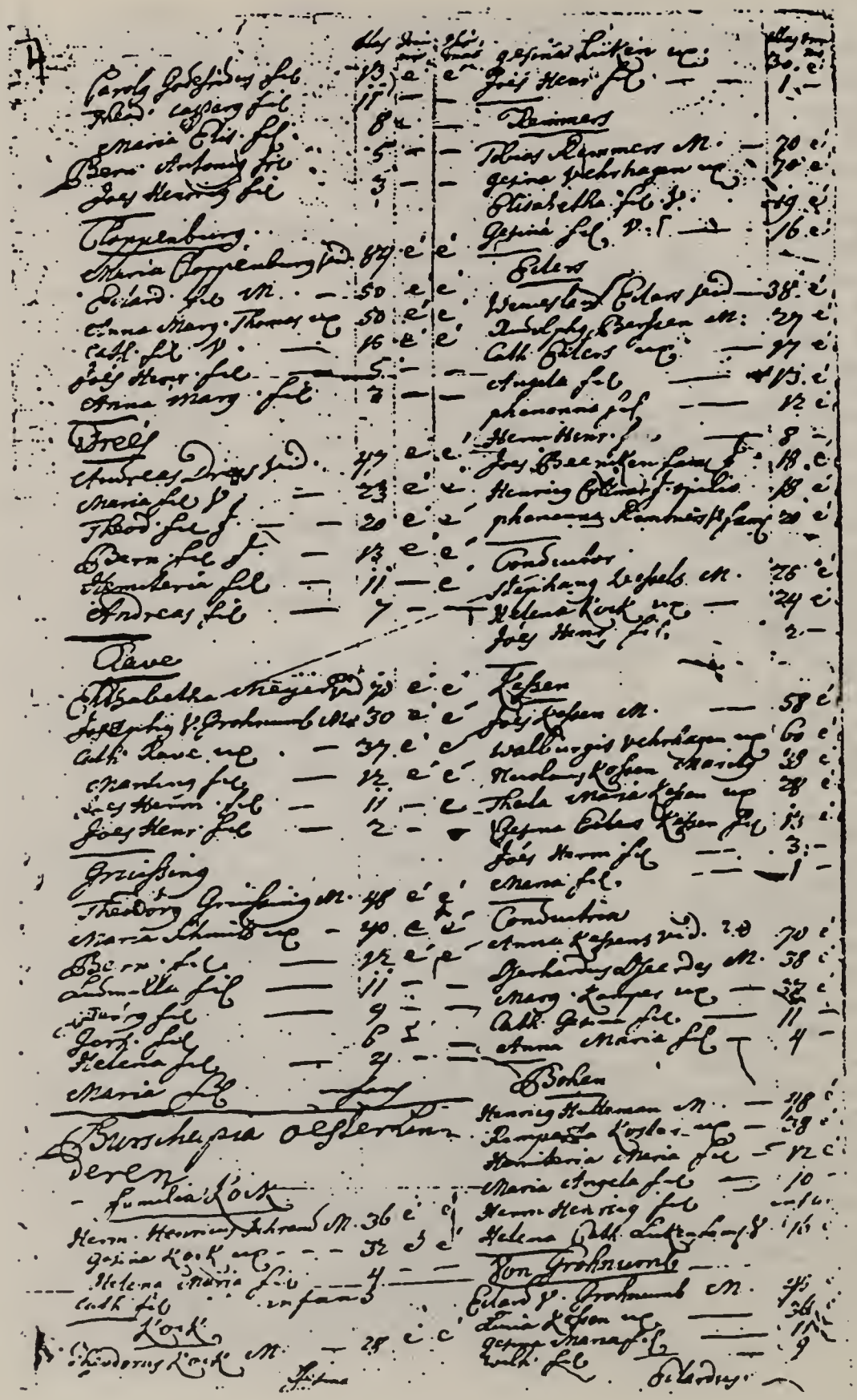

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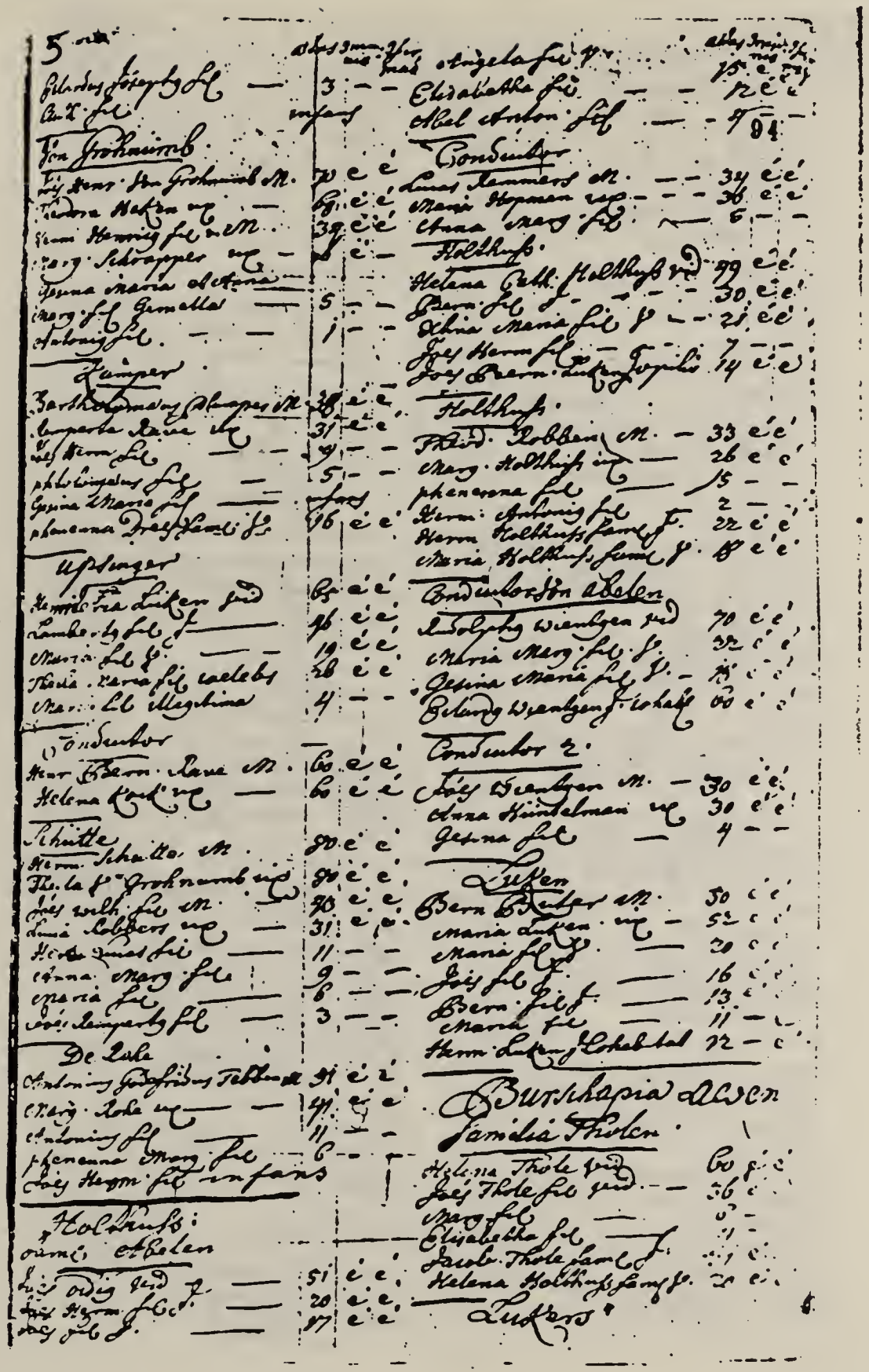

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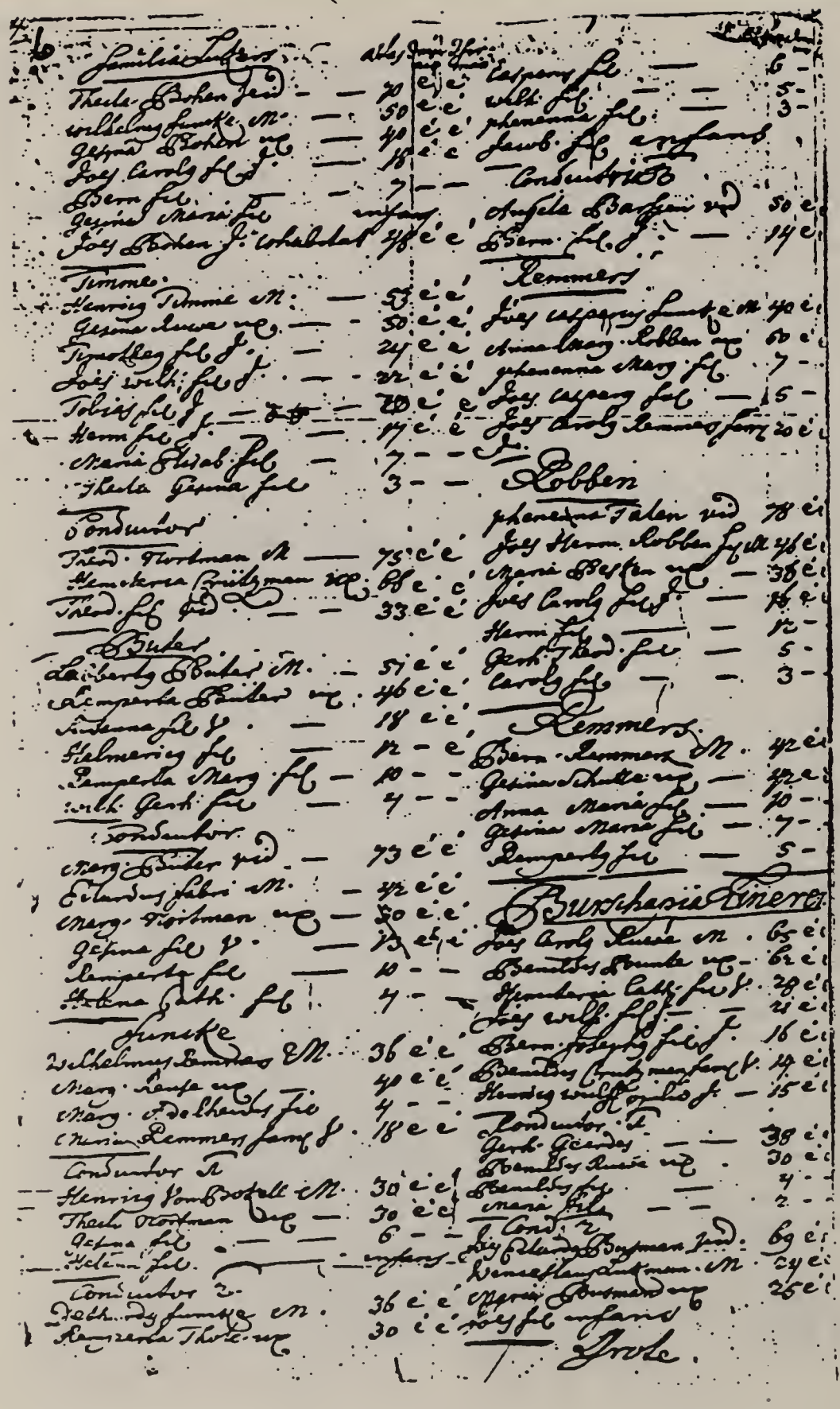

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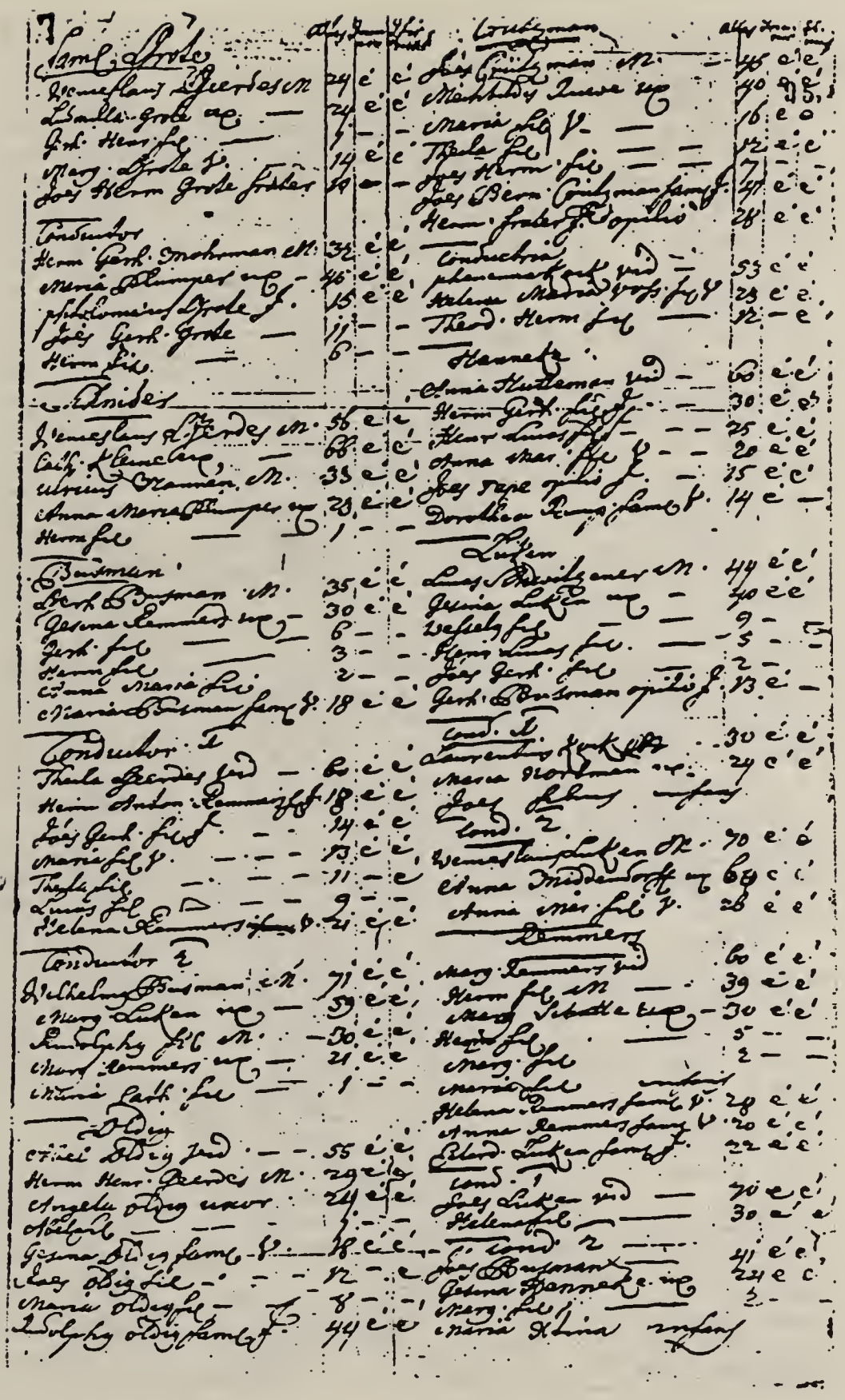

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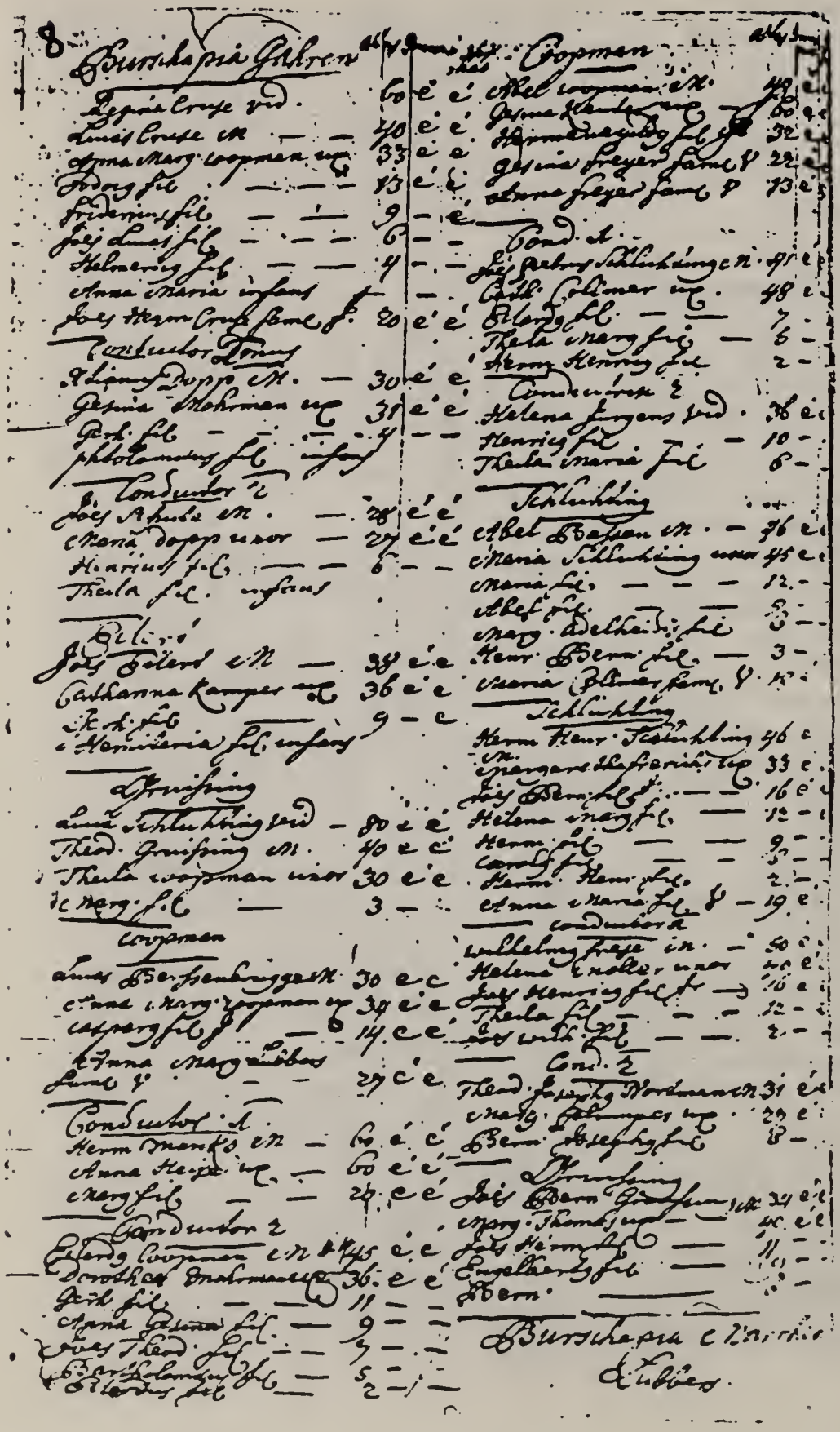

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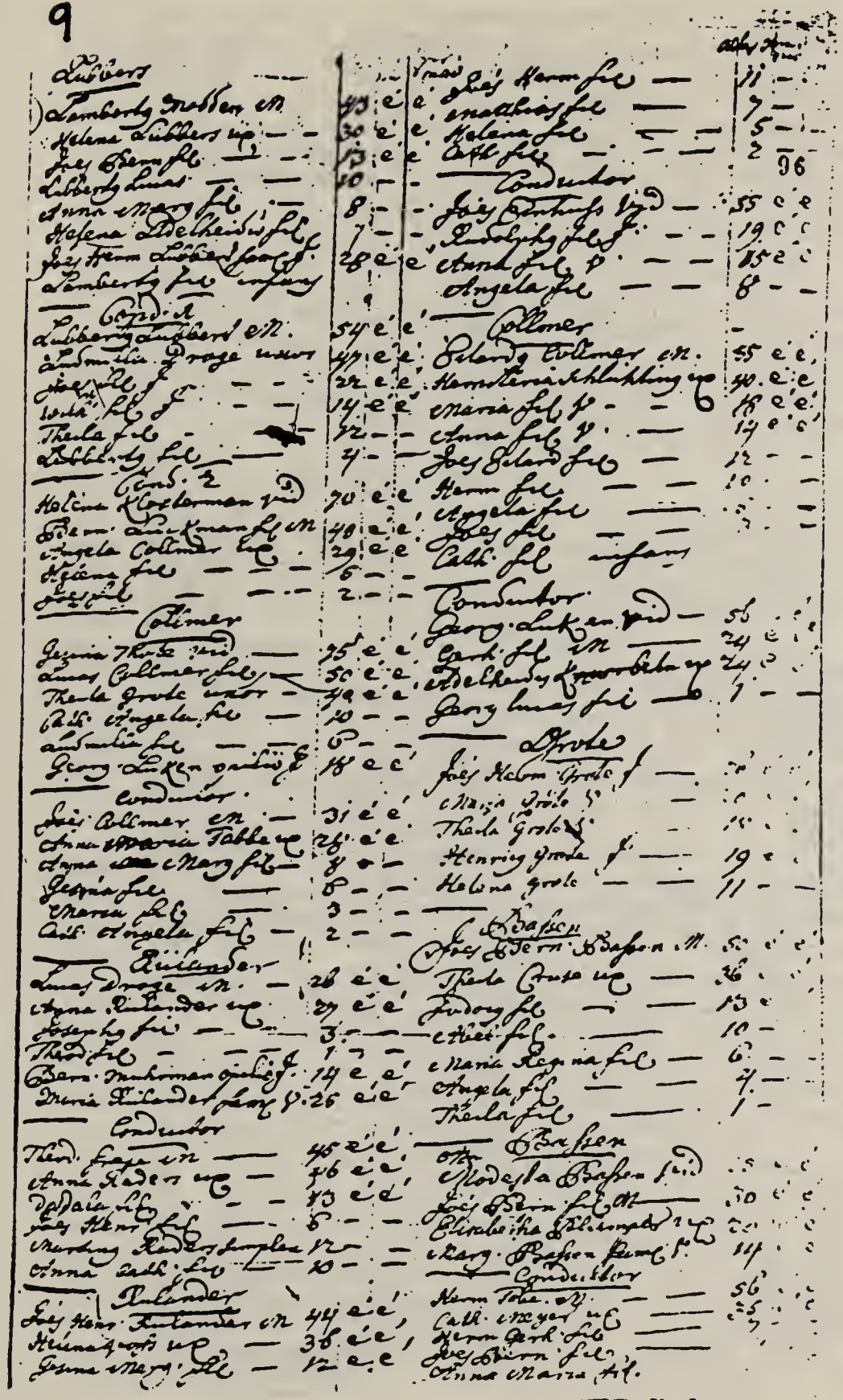

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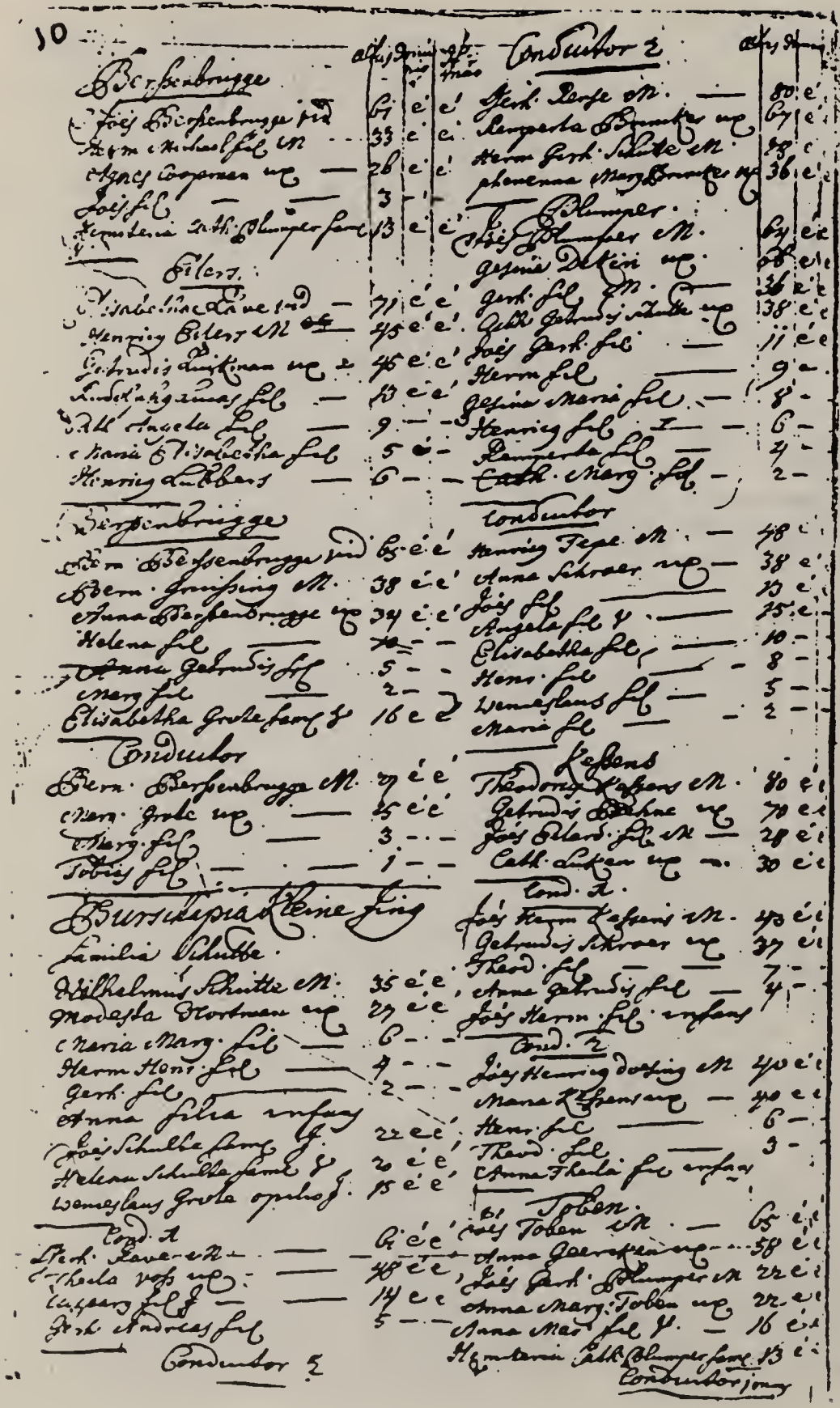

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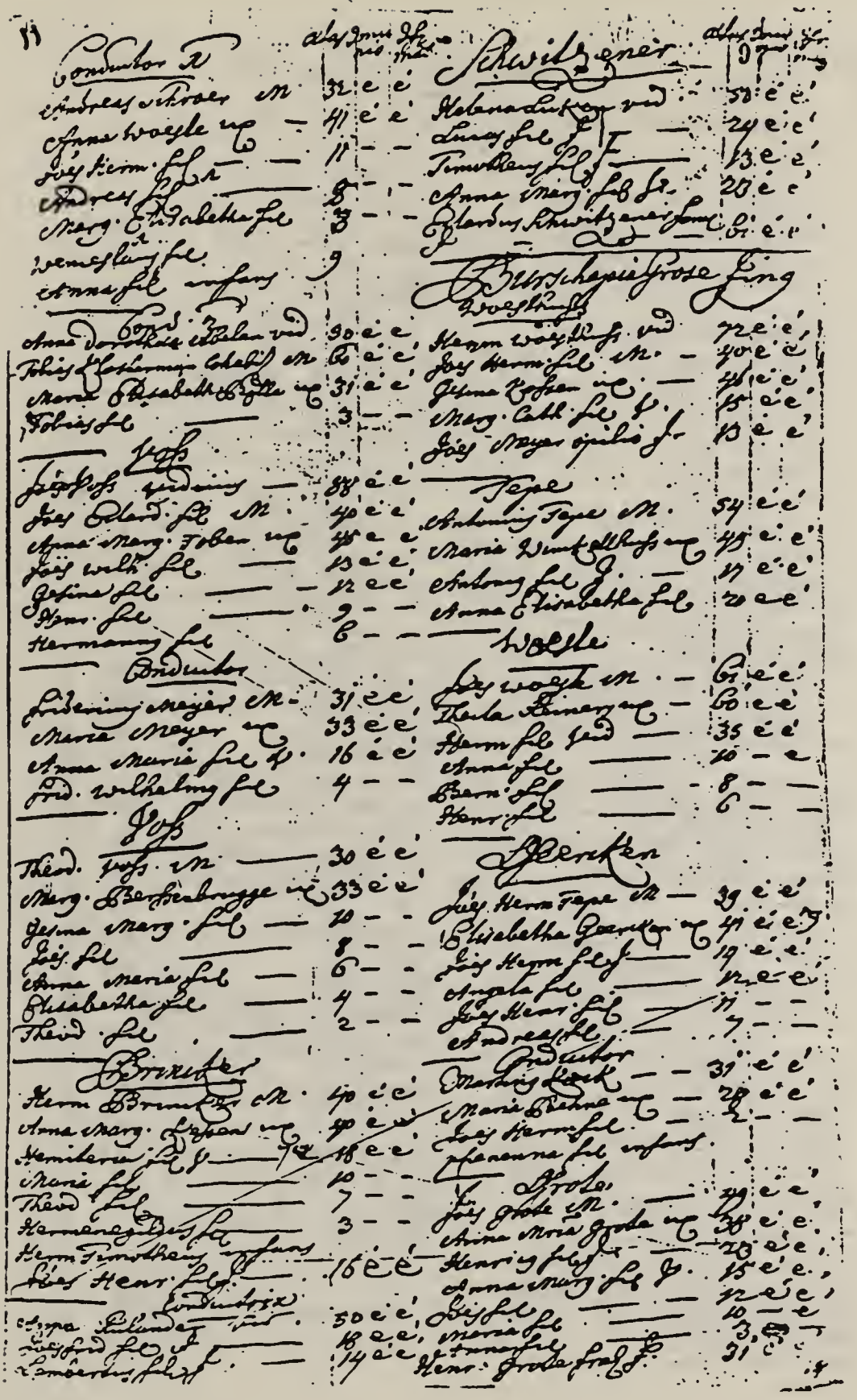

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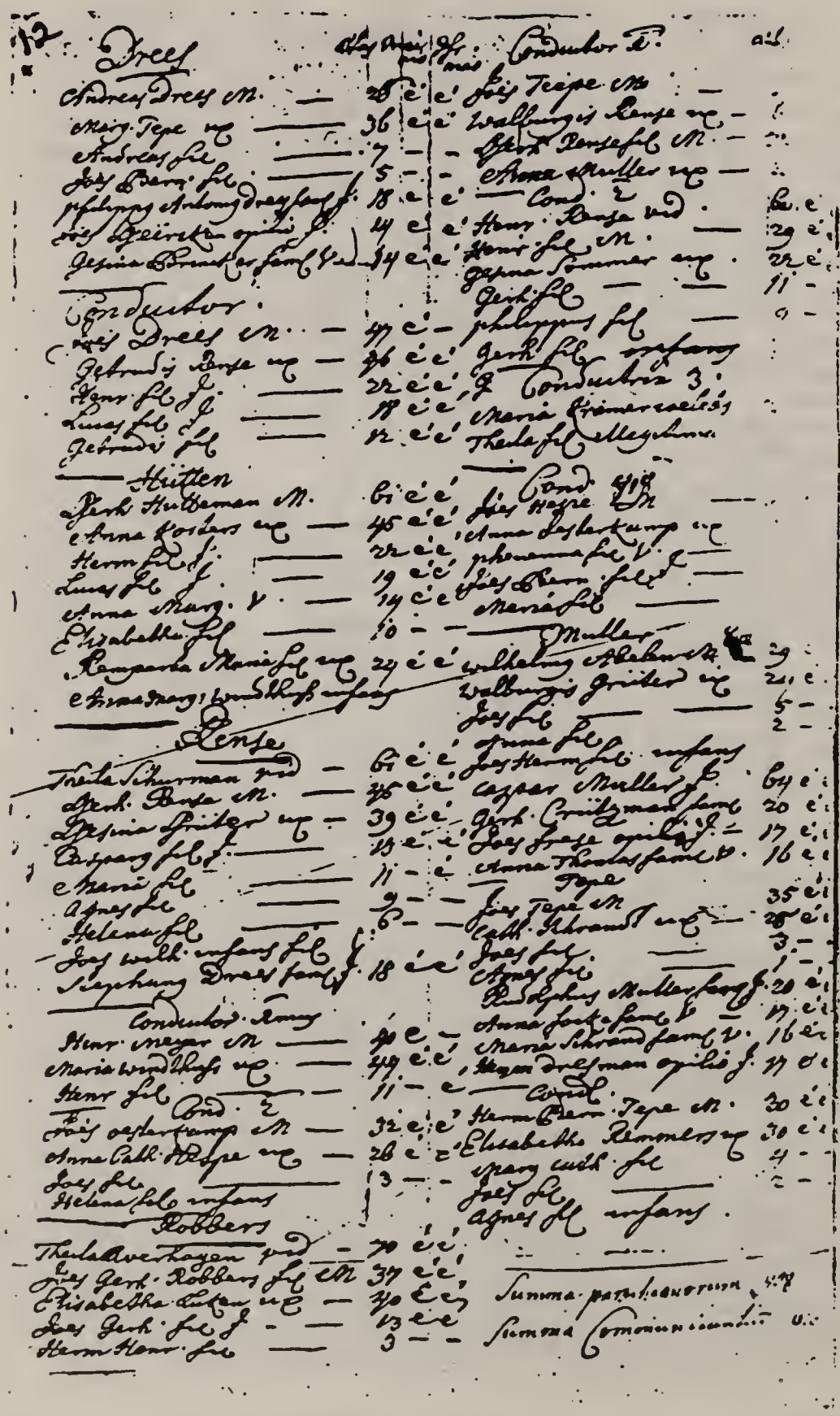

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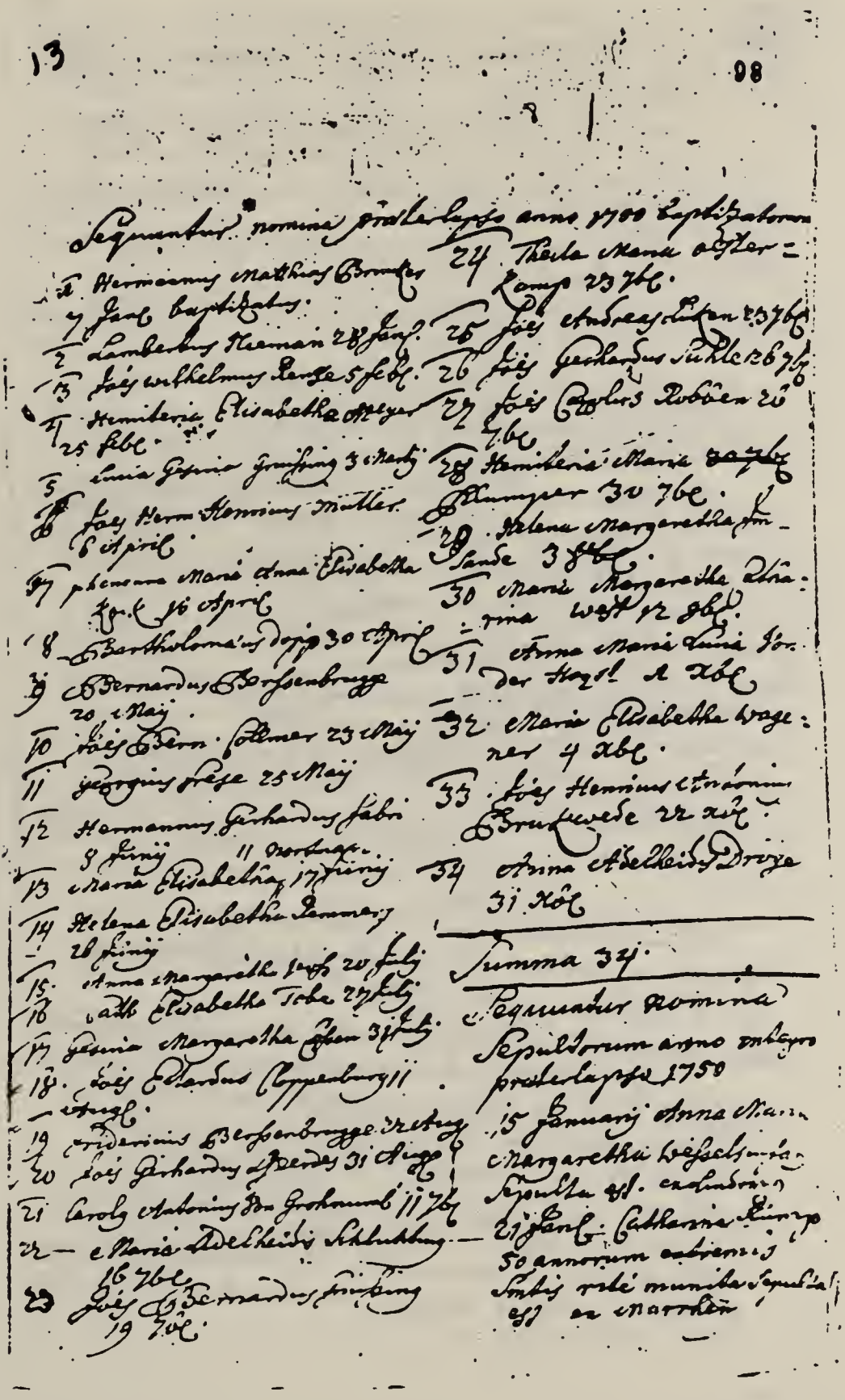

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4 Henrica Elisabetha Meyer
25 Feb.
5 Anna Regina Jenning 3 Merz
6 Joes Hermannus Müller.
6 April
7 Clemens Maria Anna Elisabetha
Xbr. 16 April
8 Bartholomäus Depp 30 April
9 Bernardus Borgenbrügge
20 Maij
10 Joes Bern. Sollmer 23 Maij
11 Georgius Frese 25 Maij
12 Hermannus Gerhardus Fabri
8 Junij 11 Mortuus.
13 Maria Elisabetha 17 Junij
14 Helena Elisabetha Lammers
20 Junij
15 Anna Margaretha Feb. 20 Julij
16 Alb Elisabetha Tobe 27 Julij
17 Jemia Margaretha Eben 31 Julij.
18 Joes Eberhardus Coppenbrügge
Augusti
19 Fridericus Bergenbrügge Aug.
20 Joes Gerhardus Meyer 31 Augt
21 Carolus Antonius Bernhard 11 7bs
22 Maria Adelheidis Schulting
16 7bs
23 Joes Bernardus Fricking
19 7bs

24 Thecla Helena Agatha
Kemp 23 7bs.
25 Joes Andreas Lutgen 23 7bs
26 Joes Gerhardus Fuhle 26 7bs
27 Joes Carolus Robben 26
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28 Henrica Maria [illegible]
Klumper 30 7bs.
29 Helena Margaretha Jun-
Sande 3 8bs.
30 Maria Margaretha Elisa-
beth Wolf 12 8bs.
31 Anna Maria Luisa Jos.
der Hagel 1 xbs
32 Maria Elisabetha Voge-
ner 4 xbs.
33 Joes Henricus Christianus
Brinkewede 22 xbs.
34 Anna Adelheidis Droge
31 Xbs

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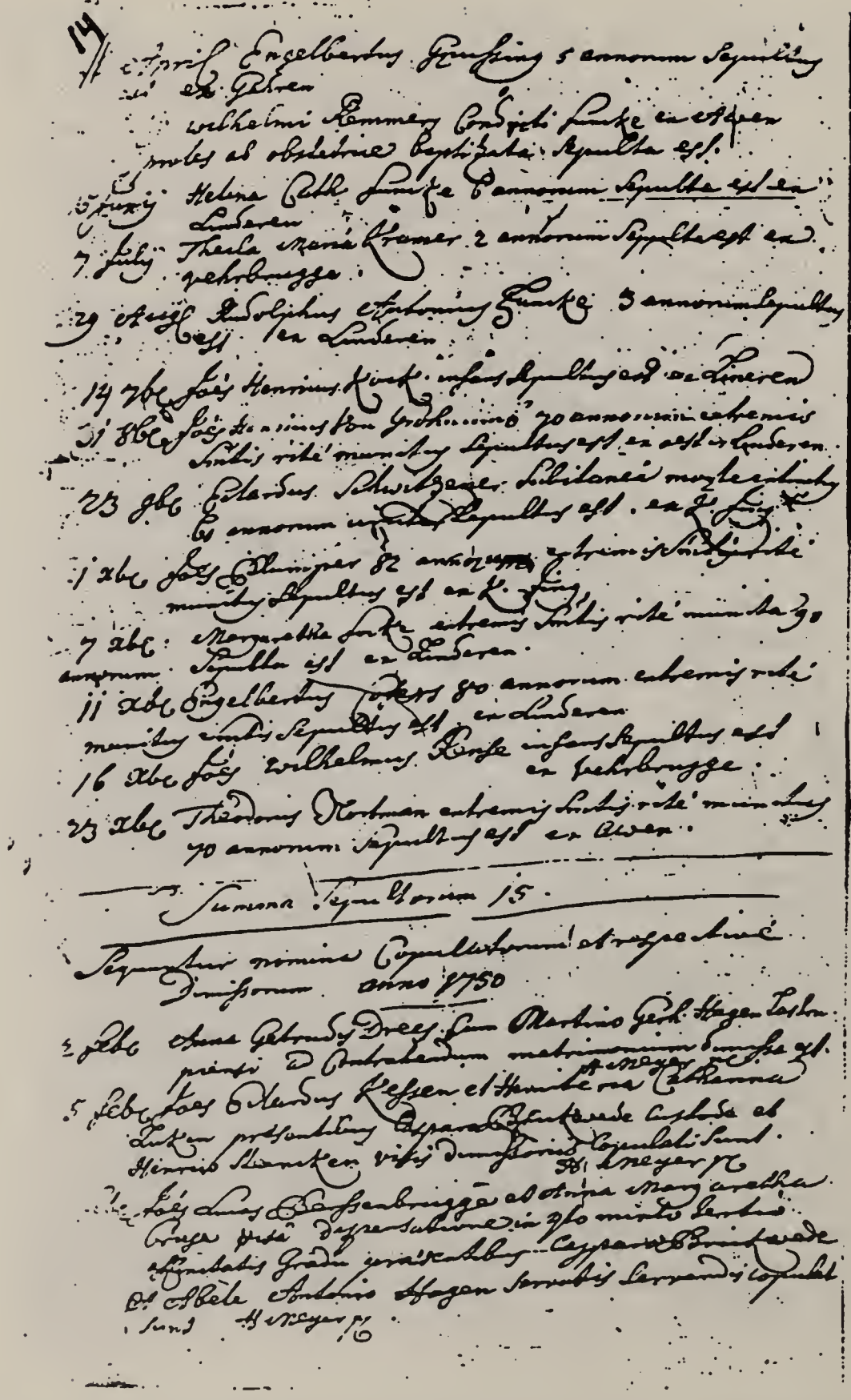

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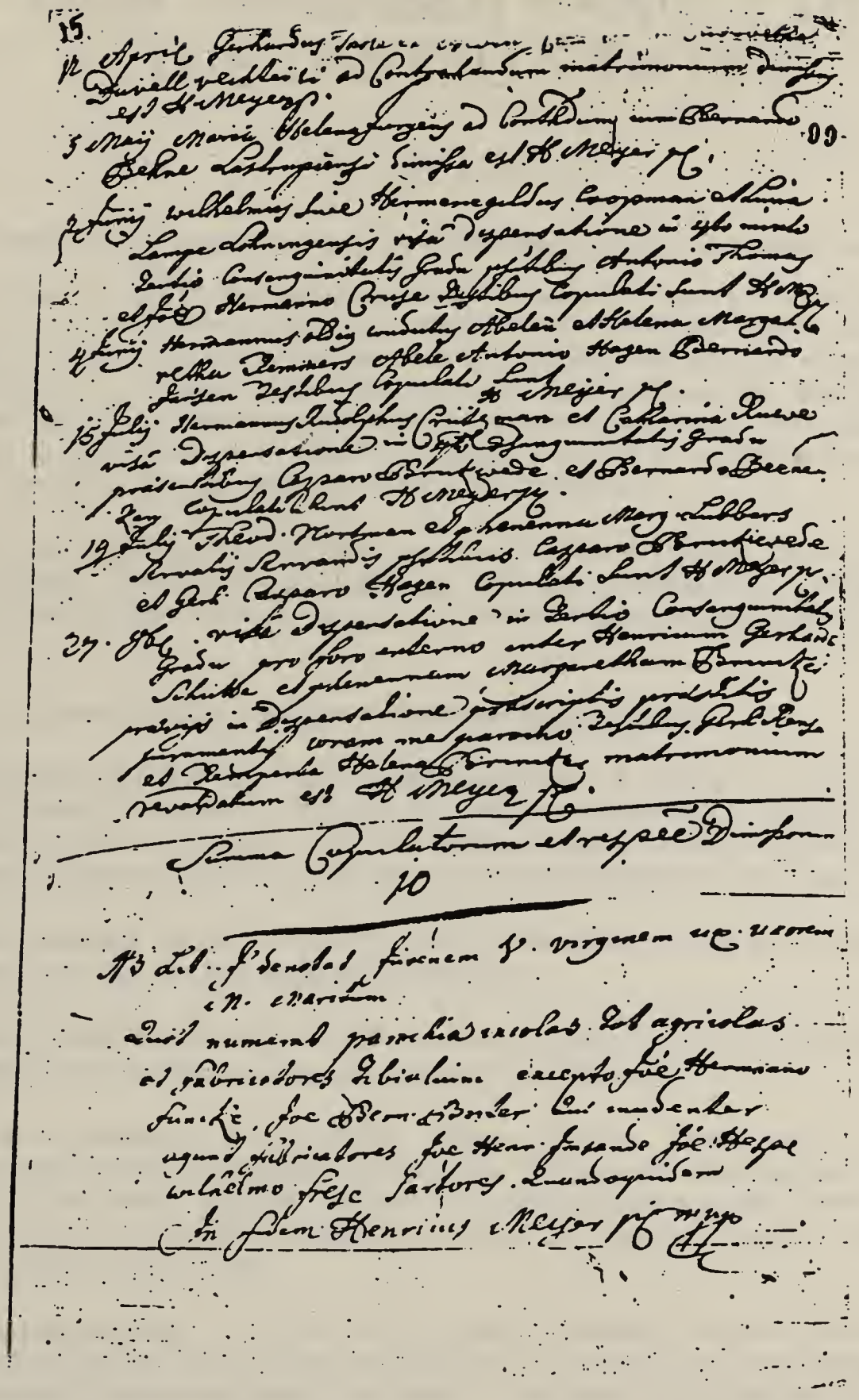

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OUR NIENABER FAMILY OF THE UNITED STATES

CHAPTER 12

We have the passenger list of the first migration of our Nienabers arriving at the port of New Orleans, LA 30 June 1842 which shows our family Joh. Hinr. Nienaber age 42, Anna Maria Nienaber age 26, Helena Mar. Nienaber age 18 and Cath. Nienaber age 1/2, all having left Lindern, Germany. Tradition in our family states the mother and baby died enroute. We know from family knowledge that Joseph and Helena Maria Seab saved money and sent for the remaining Nienaber family. As the second passenger list was not found, we rely on the record as found in Lindern for their names. See in the chapter OUR NIENABERS OF GERMANY.

None of our family were found on the 1850 census of Adams or Franklin Co., MS except Helena Maria Nienaber Seab. One was found on an Aug. 1853 list as noted below. Probably the only statement that can be made with any certainty is that the second migration arrived before Aug. 1853.

Descendants of ***Johann Henrich Nienaber*** and ***Helena Margaretha Wes***:

1) ***Gerd Henrich Nienaber***, b 2 Aug 1822, Lindern, Germany. A tradition in the family states there was a brother George "who died". This probably meant he died in the United States before he married or accumulated any property. Brennan states that he is buried in Dayton, OH. This is probably so as it was the Ohio family who told us of George who was older than their Bernard.

2) ***Helena Maria Nienaber***, born 2 Aug 1823, Lindern, Germany, married ***Joseph Seab***. Her descendants are found in the first chapters of this book.

3) ***Bernd Friedrich Nienaber***, b 24 July 1825, Lindern, Germany, died 26 May 1830, Lindern, Germany. This record was sent to us by our researcher in Germany.

4) ***Maria Catharina Nienaber***, b 11 June 1829, Lindern, Germany. Pasted inside the front cover of Will Book 3 at the courthouse in Natchez, Adams Co., MS is an old clipping from a newspaper listing those who had died in Natchez, MS and its vicinity during the (yellow fever) epidemic of 1853. On this list for the month of August is the name of Catherine Nienaber. Tradition said that Catherine had a good singing voice.

5) ***Bernard Friedrich Nienaber***, b 16 June 1831, Lindern, Germany. His record fits in every way with the record Mr. Rehme sent us. His marriage record c.1854 to ***Anna M. Walker*** has not been found. The marriage records in Dayton, OH begin in 1856 and so he could have been married there before records were preserved. Or he could have married in Germany. He shows on a census:

> 1870 Montgomery Co., OH at Dayton, 11th Ward #403 Nienaber, Bernard F. 39 forman plow shop real estate 5500, personal estate 375, Oldenburg; Anna M. 40 Oldenburg; Agnes M. 14 OH; John 11 OH; Helena M. 9 OH; George 8 OH; Emma 3 OH; Katie 5/12 b Dec. OH.

An old letter was written to Kate (Seab) Peale, Shields Lane, Natchez, MS, reads:

> Fremont, Ohio, Jan. 24, 1933. Dear Mrs. Katie Seab Peale - I got your most welcome letter some time ago and been trying to answer it, but there is allways something turns up. I did not get at it, well here I am, my Mothers relatives all lived in Cinnatie Ohio. She (had) one Sister and three Brothers there, they are all Dead, I have cousins there. My Father was your Grandmother Mareya Seabs brother, and he talked so much about her. I was the eldest of eight children and took notice of those things. She was Marya Nienaber, there was another brother George. He was older than my Father and Father had two Sisters that came to Dayton time of the War. Aunt Margret Vandenburg, and Aunt Mary Schooneberg. Aunt Mary and family went back to Brookhaven, Miss. after Onckel Vandenburg died. Aunt Margret gave me Joe Seabs address and I wrote him about Onckels death and he wrote me from Roxie, Miss. Nov. 6, 1911. I still have his letters, and I got a letter from Mrs. E. F. Brennon from Brookhaven, Miss. Mar. 10, 1920 telling me her Dear mother died on Feb. 16 and asking if aunt Margret was still living. I wrote her that Aunt Margret died Oct. 31, 1917. After Onckel died she made her home with my brother George, she had no children. I and brother George are the only two left. There were four boys and 4 girls, and I was the oldest. My sister Hellen married Thomas Nash of Springfiel[illegible], Ohio. There was brother John and brother George lives in Dayton, Ohio. My sister Emma Schwartz died in Denver, Collrado, and sister Katie Kline died in Dayton and brother Will died when he was 30 years old and our youngest brother Louis died when 18(?) months old. Well I hope you got the snap shots all right I sent. They were taken some time ago. Hope this finds your Father in good health, and hope you and Family are all well. Am going to send you a picture of a bridge my husband put up. You can see the kind of work he does, and hoping to hear from you all soon. Give your Father our best. I remain. /s/ Mrs. A. Schekelhoff, 604 S. Park Ave., Freemont, Ohio.

Bernard F. Nienaber and ***Anna M. Walker*** had the following family:

A) ***Agnes Marie Nienaber***, b 26 Oct 1856, Dayton, OH, d 21 Aug 1937, m ***August Schekelhoff***, b Dec 1850 in Ger, had 7 children.

> 1900 Soundex Sandusky Co., OH at 252 Morian St., Fremont, E.D.26-20 August Schekelhoff Dec 1850, 50 GER; Agnes wife Oct 1856. 43 OH; John H. son Sep 1876. 23; Izebell? dau Apr 1879, 21; Clara H. dau Feb 1882, 18; Louisie dau Nov 1884, 15; Ida dau Sep 1887, 12; Eddward son Apr 1893, 7 OH; Agnes K. dau Dec 1899 OH

Mrs. E. H. (Lillian) Heider, 144 Hunterdon St., Newark, NJ wrote in 1954 when she was age 75, her husband age 83. My letter was forwarded from Fremont, OH which identifies her with the Schekelhoff family. She seems to be the daughter Izebell(?) of the 1900 census, b Apr 1879. She said she married when she was 35 years of age, that she nor her mother had any records. She wrote:

> "Grandpa Nienaber (Bernard) was a pioneer of Dayton, Ohio. He had the Dayton Ploy Works until he died, was a successful business man, contracted TB in his work and was sick 12 years. Under those circumstances the last of his large family was born. Emma, Aunt Kate and Uncle Will passed away about a year apart with the same. .. Grandpa had a sister to whom we used to go when I was a little girl. They had no children, a Mr. and Mrs. Vandenburg who came up from the South and owned two properties off E. Fifth St., Dayton, Ohio and lived off their rents. Uncle Vandenburg died first of throat cancer. .. Mother used to take me to Cincinnati, O... an old lady (relatives) with two daughters and son, Elizabeth and Anna. They owned a three story ___ in ___ of city and the old aunt built an opera house Heit or Height. I never heard it spelled but it sounded like the last. It was named after one of these girls but don't know their last name and were mother's cousins. It seems when we moved up to Fremont we lost track of everybody as it seemed too far away. Mother stayed with Grandma a month or more before she passed away and I looked after the home and children. They were a wonderful family as I remember them. Grandma would not let Aunt Emma and Aunt Kate go out to work but did dressmaking at home. Uncle Will was an invalid most of time and wasn't able to work. She lived off her rents too."

B) ***John Nienaber***, b 1859, Dayton, OH, m and had one child who died young.

C) ***Helena M. Nienaber***, b 1861, Dayton, OH, m ***Thomas Nash***, had 3 children.

D) ***George H. Nienaber***, b 1862, Dayton, OH, d 1937, Dayton, OH, bur Dayton, OH, had 3 children.

> 1910 Montgomery Co., OH at Dayton (135-0088-0110) Nienaber, George H. 47 OH; Mary A. wife 33 IN; Maxine E. dau 1 OH; Kline, Harry L. brother in law 44 OH; John H. 16 OH.

E) ***Emma Nienaber***, b 1867, Dayton, OH, bur Denver, CO, m ***Ed Schourtz***. No children.

F) ***Kathryn Nienaber***, b Dec 1868, Dayton, bur Dayton, m ***Harry Kline***. One child.

> 1900 Montgomery Co. at 260 Lafayette, Dayton OH, E.D. 35-15 Kline, Harry L. Oct 1864, 35 OH; Katherine wife Dec 1869, 30 OH; John H. son Mar 1894, 6; Harriet mother Jan 1833, 67 OH.

G) ***William Nienaber***, b Dayton, bur Dayton, never married. He was an invalid and died of T.B.

H) ***Louis Nienaber***, d at age 18 months.

6) ***Heinrich Anton Nienaber***, b 2 May 1833, Lindern, Germany. Nothing further is known of him.

7) ***Gesina Maria "Mary" Nienaber***, b 2 Sep 1835, Lindern, Germany. Her marriage record is recorded in Adams Co., MS (Bk 7-423, bondsman John C. Schwartz) 1 Nov 1856 to ***Hubert Nicolaus Schnorrenberg*** b 20 May 1822 Prussia or Germany, d 12 Apr 1884 Brookhaven, MS, both bur in St. Francis of Assisi (Catholic) Cemetery, Brookhaven, MS, son of ***Johann Gerhard Schnorrenberg*** and ***Helena Theresia Bruier***.

The marriage was performed later in St. Mary's Cathedral, Natchez, MS and reads:

> August 29th 1861. I the undersigned hereby certify that I joined in the holy bonds of matrimony Nicholas Schnorrenberg, son of John Gerard and Ellen Teresa Schnorrenberg, and Mary Nienober, daughter of Henry and Margaret Nienaber. Witnesses Mary Roxan Morton and Margaret Elizabeth Vanderberg. /s/ B. F. Grignon. This record was sent to me by Hubert Brennan as I never saw the record in my visits to the church office.)
>
> 1860 Adams Co., MS at Natchez #171 H. N. Schnorrenberg 35 Confectioner Prussia; Mary 25 Prussia; John 3 MS; Charles 1 MS.
>
> 1880 Lincoln Co., MS #27 Schnherenberg, Nicholas 55 baker GER GER GER; Mary F. 44 wife GER GER GER; Charlie 20 son clerk in gro MS GER GER; Jake 16 son clerk in dry goods MS GER GER; Annie 14 dau OH GER GER; Nanne 11 dau MS GER GER; Maggie 8 dau MS GER GER; Ferdinand 5 son.

May (Seab) Latham, daughter of August Seab wrote in the 1950's:

> "Schnorrenburgs lived in Brookhaven and I knew cousin Annie S. married a lawyer Brennon, I believe. Anyway, he was a widower and nice man and one of her sisters joined the Catholic Sisterhood and took the veil as a nun in New Orleans. The other married a RR engineer of S.C. and I nursed her son, a 4 month old fat baby with pneumonia, got him well. I loved them all, but got so busy nursing, lost tract of them all. I do not know about Catherine Nienaber as Grandmother was always a very busy lady and when not busy in her store, she read her Catholic prayer book in German. She never did talk too much."

A) ***John Nicholas Schnorrenberg***, b 3 Aug 1857, bapt at St. Mary's Cathedral 1 Apr 1860 by Rev. M. F. Grignon, sponsors Mathias D. Borish and Margaret Nienaber.

B) ***Charles Mathias Schnorrenberg***, b 14 July 1859. His baptismal record is at St. Mary's Cathedral in Natchez, MS (p.207) and reads: April 1st 1860. I the undersigned Baptized Charles Mathias born July 14th 1859 son of Nicholas Schorrenberg and Mary Nienaber (his wife). Sponsors: Mathias Fontain Borish and Elizabeth Pasback. /s/ M. F. Grignon.

C) ***Jacob Schnorrenberg***, b 27 Oct 1861. His baptismal record at the St. Mary's Cathedral in Natchez, MS, p.234, reads: November 21st 1861. I the undersigned hereby certify that I this day Baptized Jacob born Oct. 17th 1861 Son of Nicholas Schnorrenberg and Mary Nienober his wife. Sponsors: Jacob Stern and Catherine Angelo Stern. /s/ M. L. Grignon.

D) ***Louis Schnorrenberg***, never married.

E) ***Anna Maria "Annie" Schnorrenberg***, b 18 Dec 1865, Dayton, OH, d 7 Dec 1949, Brookhaven, MS, m as his second wife, 28 Mar 1901 ***Edward Francis Brennan***, b 29 June 1852, Glenties, County Donegal, Ireland, d 10 July 1920. He was naturalized at the Circuit Court Lincoln County, MS 1881. He married first to the widow of Martin Flood, Bridget C. Jennings who died 18 Mar 1900.

a) ***Hubert Francis Brennan, Sr.***, executive vice president of Louisiana National Bank at Baton Rouge, LA, b 24 Jan 1902, Brookhaven, MS, m 28 May 1932 Clarksdale, MS to ***Inez Ann Wilsford*** of Lula, MS, b 26 Feb 1914, Bunkie, LA, dau of ***John Staten Wilsford*** and ***Lessie Estelle Howell***. Mr. Brennan had done extensive research before his stroke and supplied the data on the Schnorrenberg line.

> His record is in WHO'S WHO IN BANKING: Brennan, Hubert Francis (b) Brookhaven, Miss Jan. 1902 (s) Judge Edward F. and Anna Maria (Schnorrenberg) (e) Brookhaven HS, 1918; Marion Institute, Marion, Ala 1920; LSU, School of Banking (m) Inez Ann Wilsford (c) Hubert Francis, JR. (w) Ill Central RR 1918; Brookhaven Cotton Oil & Fertilizer Co. Cash & Accountant 1918-20; Brookhaven B&T Co 1920, AVP 1940; La Nat Bank, 1940, Exec VP 1962, Dir 1946 to present (g) Baton Rouge General Hospital, Advisory Com of Tr 1963; USAF 1st Lt Col 1942-46; Asst Chief & Acting Chief, Supply Div Hawaiian Air Depot; USAFR, Colonel; Liaison Officer USAF Academy 1959-63; E. Baton Rouge Housing Authority, Commissioner 1950-54; E. Baton Rouge Parish Airport Com, Commissioner 1959-63, Ch 1962; United Givers Fund Baton Rouge, Finance Ch 1957-58; Baton Rouge CC Dir, 1957 (a) AIB, Organizer of Baton Rouge Area Chapter 1947; RMA, Southeastern Chapter, Pres 1965-66; pres. Council AIM; LA BA; MBA; Miss BA, Exec Com 1939; Com of Admissions, School of Banking, La State U 1955 (k) Mason, Shriner; St. James Ledge No 47 F&AM 32 Degree Scottish Rite, Treas: Knights Templar; Order of Red Cross of Constantine; Lions; Baton Rouge Downtown Club, Pres 1954-55; Military Order of the World Wars, former Chapter Commander, State Commander General Staff on Nat Level; American Legion; VFW; Am Vets; Baton Rouge Country Club; City Club of Baton Rouge, Men of Bal Masque; Baton Rouge Charity Ball Assn. Office: PO Box 1511, Baton Rouge, La; Homer: 2233 Terrace Ave (Kleinett Terrace) Baton Rouge, LA 70806.

1) ***Hubert Francis Brennan, Jr.***, b 10 Mar 1952, Baton Rouge, LA.

b) ***Mary Clare Brennan***, b about 1903, died about 1904, Brookhaven, MS.

c) ***Thomas Brennan***, b about 1905, d about 1906, Brookhaven, MS.

d) ***Vincent Sebastian Brennan***, vice president United Gas Pipeline Co., Shreveport, LA, b 22 Feb 1907, Brookhaven, MS, m Dec 1931 ***Mattie Pratt***. They have two children, both married in Shreveport, LA.

e) ***Katharine Brennan***, b 15 Nov 1909, Brookhaven, MS, m 11 Jun 1939, Brookhaven, MS ***John Alize "Jay" Travis, Jr.*** of Gillsburg, Amite Co., MS. He was MS Sales Manager of United Gas, living in McComb, MS. Two children, both married.

F) ***Nanne Schnorrenberg***, b c.1869 Brookhaven, MS, m ***James McIntyre*** of McComb.

a) ***William Lawrence McIntyre***, CPA in New Orleans, LA.

G) ***Margaret Schnorrenberg***, b c.1872, became a Poor Clare Nun in New Orleans, LA.

H) ***Ferdinand Schnorrenberg***, b c.1875.

8) ***Margaretha Elisabeth Nienaber***, b 2 Sep 1835, Lindern, Germany, m in Adams Co., MS (Bk 7-550) 27 July 1858 ***Matthias Vandenberg***. They had no children. They moved to Dayton, OH after the Civil War. See the letter above of Mrs. A. Schekelhoff.

Their marriage record is found in St. Mary's Cathedral, Natchez, MS as Mathias Vandenberg and M. Minober (mixed) I the undersigned hereby certify that on the twenty seventh day of July A.D. 1858, the publishing of two bans having been dispenced with, I joined in holy Bonds of Matrimony Mathias Vanderberg, son of ***Gerhard Vandenberg*** and ***Emelea Boeklers***, and Margaret Minober Daughter of Henry and Margaret Minober. The witnesses were C. Schmiderer and Mary Elizabeth Broez. /s/ M. F. Grignon.

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As noted in Chapter 1 of this book, there were relatives who came on the same vessel as our first Nienaber family, the passenger list showing a number of them were headed for Natchez, MS. It is not known if all were related or not. We do not know how the Ruhlanders are related to the Seabs of Franklin Co., MS. Note there were Ruhlanders who were godparents in Lindern, Germany of the Nienaber family. The names showed on the passenger list as:

Gerhd Rulander	48	Male	Farmer	Lienen	Natchez
Cath. do	54	Female		do	do
Ger. Hinr. do	27	Male	Farmer	do	do
Cath. do	23	Female		do	do
Elizb. do	20	Female		do	do

The Lienen probably is the Liener that is near Lindern.

Adams Co. civil record shows the following marriage: ***John David Washaw*** to ***Mary Catherine Angela Rulander***, 9 March 1843. Bk. 6, p.601. She married 2nd in Franklin Co., MS ***Jacob Stern*** on 5 Feb 1849. She had no children by either marriage. See in the Appendix of the chapter SEAB FAMILY OF GERMANY.

Of the list above of the immigrants, Mary Catherine Rulander Washaw Stern seemed to survive all the Rulanders who immigrated as records in Adam Co. show that she was the only legatee of Ger. Hinr. Rulander, who died in Adams Co. 1851.

Records of the Old Catholic Cemetery, Natchez, MS, showed the following stone: ***Gebrat Henry Relander*** 6 Nov 1819 - 24 May 1851. He is the Ger. Hinr. Rulander of the passenger list.

He was noted on the 1850 Franklin Co., MS census as unmarried and boarding with a family:

> 1850 Franklin Co., MS #155 Isaiah Mobley 64 farmer SC; Mary 54 GA; Henry Creasing 32 pedler GER; Henry Relander 29 no occupation GER.

Hadskey wrote that Henry Rulander had a store at the old Gamble place in Franklin Co. for a time.

> "In 1850 he was living with the Mobley's. Mobley married a sister of David King who was the next family on the census. David King and many others with unmarked graves are buried at the forks in the road from Roxie to Hamburg. There was a road from the Seab place that forked where the Kings are buried. I would assume it is about 2 1/2 miles from the Seab place."

A record in St. Mary's Cathedral, Natchez, MS reveals the following:

> 1851, May 25 was buried Gerard Rulander aged 35 years, who having received the sacraments of the Church, died yesterday. /s/ B. Raho C.M.

His probate records are in the loose papers File #135, Adams Co., MS. Notes copied from this file are as follows:

> Jacob Stern, resident of sd Co. respectively shows that Henry Relander late of said County departed this life the 24th day of the present month leaving no will. He died possessed of a small personal estate .. some debts .. not exceeding $1500 .. sd Henry Relander decd was never married .. Jacob Stern, brother-in-law prays for letter of administration. Granted 24 June 1851, bond $1600 with Martin Miller and William Hannigan, sureties, /s/ Martin Muller and William Hanaken. The appraisers of the estate were Henry Ste, Charles Benbrook, Aaron Breckman.

The annual return 27 Sep 1852 showed being paid were H. H. Leggett $93; C. H. Stone $30; T. C. Inge $4; R. Edward $5; Kohnke and Wessel $5; R. D. Smith 7.50; Ganning and Trim $33; Edwin Lion $30; Y. MacFahrson $3; L. Lehrburger $4.25; Myself lent to Rielander $25; he collected for me $7.25; pd for medicine $10; for a carriage from Washington $4; Burr & Arnold for pills $21.33. Balance on estate on this acct $614.67, total $897.

Recd from Jas. Brisher $227; from Elisha Corban $100; Calvin Fort $25; R. Sills $10; Steph. Corbon Est. $280; T. Long $35; R. W. Smylie $40; T. Corban $160; T. Leek $20. Total $897.

The inventory filed in Inventory Record Book, Vol. 6, p.609, Adams Co. lists 8 pair earrings and 8 finger rings @ 75 cents and 1 lot calico 33 yrds @ 3.30.

Receipt: Natchez, May 27 1851. Recd of Jacob Stern, $7.50 for 3 carriages to Henry Rulander funeral. /s/ Robert D. Smith.

Natchez, May 27 1851. The estate of Henry Rulander to Rochncke and Wessell for two carriages attending funeral of the late H. Rulander $5.00.

Natchez, May 27 1851 Recd of Jacob Sturn thirty three dollars for coffin ? and grave for Henry Rulander estate /s/ Gunning & Kine.

The Estate of Henry Rulander, deceased - To the Proprietor of Free Trader - 1851 May 24 To printing 50 funeral tickets $5.00 - Recd above of Jacob Stern, Natchez.

Natchez. Dec. 22 1851. Jacob Stern, executor for Gerrat Henry Relander. Bought of Edward Lyon, the head and foot stone & socket to the memory of G. H. Relander deceased $30.00. Recd payment Jan 3rd 1852. The bill of sale showed heading: Edwin Lyon, Sculptor and Marble Mason, Main St., Corner of Canal St. nearly opposite the City Hotel, Natchez, Miss.

Natchez. 15 Dec 1857 - Recd of Mr. Jacob Stern administrator of Gerrett Henry Relander three dollars being the amount of his acct. /s/ Geo. Macpherson.

This bill was marked on the side "Franklin Co., Miss." At the top was marked 18 miles N. East of Natchez Gallitin road". May 19th 1847.

Twenty four boxes Peters' Pills, to sell at Fifty Cents per Box....	12.00
Six? Boxes Peter's Pills, small to sell at twenty-five Cents per Box ...	
Thirty Six Boxes Dr. Gordon's Anti-Billious Family Pills, to sell at Twenty-five Cents per Box ...	9.00
Eleven Boxes Dr. G. K. Tyler's Ague & Fever Pills, to sell at $1 per Box.....	11.00
	32.00

I hereby promise to pay Messrs Burr & Arnold on Order on the presentation of this receipt sixty six 2/3 cents for each and every dollar's worth disposed of and all not sold are to be returned on the presentation of this receipt. No unsealed or parts of Boxes are to be returned.

/s/ Hennery Rulander

NOTE by ME: Gallitin is an extinct town in Copiah Co., MS.

Final account. April Term 1854 Mary C. Stern, heir-at-law of Henry Rulander, decd. Executed March 13, 1854.

Since Mary C. Stern is the only heir shown for Henry Ruhlander, intestate, all others of the passenger list of Ruhlanders were most likely dead at this time.

1853

LATE PERSONS ... EPIDEMIC

... JULY ...

13—Child of T. Myers.
14—Child, name unknown.*
15—Jos. M. Postlethwaite.
21—Alfred Fowler.*
Miss E. E. Alexander*

... AUGUST ...

21—Child of J. M. Maury.
R. Atkins.†
2—J. D. Hilliard.
Louis J. Segnaga.*
Mrs. E. Gregory.*
4—Lawrence Curtis.
Mrs. L. F. Kohnche.
8—Mrs. Mary Swazee.†
Rev. O. L. Nash.*
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25—Mr. Jay.
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25—Mrs. Chas. Walker.
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1—Hugh McTegert.
James Brunston.
Cornelius Crowley.
James Haggerty.
James Doran.
J. H. Heard.
Man unk'n, Mar. Hos.
2—Anton Bercastenbrok.
John K. Dixon.
Wm. Power.
Chas. Weir.
Eugene Miller.
Mr. Donovan.
Mary E. Breakman.
3—Wm. Thomas.
John Conaway.
Son of P. Genuk.
John Barrett.
Mrs. David Hay.
Charles Hanton.
David Miller.
M. Lannon.
Wm. Darrah.
Man unk'n, State Hos.
4—John Brital.
Rose Moran, Sist'r Ch.
Mrs. Lucretia Dixon.
F. Hensher.
E. R. Montgomery.
David McNeil.
T. Farley.
—— Heubel.
Theresa O'Ferrall.†
Samuel Baird.
Mrs. Jos. Eisley.
Child of Jos. Eisley.
5—E. T. Ellinger.
Thomas Kerr.
F. Ketteringham.
Sister of Charity.
Wm. Bateman.
Barbara Baer.
Child of Mrs. Roggers.
J. H. E. Paul.
George Blackwell.
Patrick Kennedy.
Harvey Rawlings.
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Child of Jos. Eisley.
Child of do
7—Mrs. St. Clair.
Dr. John S. Carpenter
Mr. Hannan.
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Michael Graff.
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Mr. Ainsworth.
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9—Mrs. Keenon.
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Mrs. Bateman.
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N. A. Parks.
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Mr. Mercer.
10—John Weber
L. Hudson.
11—Mrs. S. F. Churchill.†
Edwin Brasher.
Mrs. Hizer.
Mrs. Isaac Wolf.
John Gale.
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12—Jane Wapples.
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J. B. Stewart.
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13—D. R. Glendenning.
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Alex. McCay.
14—Henry Minger, Senr.*
Mrs. Martha Irving.
Mary Craig.*
Child of Jos. Eisley†
T. Krider.
Geo. Heubel.
15—Wm. Nelson.
Mrs. E. F. Gordon.
Chas. Pileher.
D. Turner.
Child of Mrs. S. Baird.
16—Child, Geo. McPherson
C. Guelman.
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17—John Swaile.
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Child, W. S. Cabal.
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David Mock.
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18—John M. Maury.
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19—Mrs. Beaty.
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Sarah J. Wilson.
Mrs. Hennecke.
23—— Summons.
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Mrs. Alice Grafton.
23—David M. Swink.
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Mrs. Flynn.
24—Mrs. Myers.
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25—Thos. Doule.
26—Thomas E. Smith.
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27—Mrs. R. R. Evans.
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Rev. J. S. Chadbourne.
28—Nigel Smith.
Child of Mr. Bunting.
29—Robert Jones.
Jack Spitzer.
Louisa Marchen.
Thomas Hooper.
Andrew Weeda.

... OCTOBER ...

1—Miss S. A. Whitaney.
2—Mrs. Maria L. Crouch
4—Child of Mrs. Flynn.*
Still-born child of C. L. Dubuisson.
Francis McHuckin.
Fielding Turner.
5—Mrs. Ann McHuckin.
Mrs. C. L. Dubuisson.
6—Mrs. John H. Dicks.
Robert Irving.
Peter Perry.
7—Mrs. Mary Galbraith†
Paul Bryant.
Mary Blackwell.
Mrs. Essig.
8—Adam Hare.
John M. Henderson.
Henry Wallace.
9—Henry W. Shaw.
Mrs. A. B. Gilbert.
11—Christopher Droge.
12—Mrs. Griffin.*
Mrs. R. W. Phillips.
13—Mrs. H. Ross.
Edward K. Chaplain.
Mrs. Silverberg.
L. P. Rooke.
Henriette Harris.*
Levi Levenard.
Miss Lucy Walworth.
17—Miss J. K. Irving.
Unknown man.
18—Mrs. J. H. Eyler.
Mrs. Mary Myers.*
19—Nath'l Hopkins.†
Robert C. Gordon,
Wm. K. Henry (killed)
Miss Giggan.
M. Gilbert.
20—Mrs. King.
21—Mrs. James.*
Miss King.*
22—Charles Droge.
Mrs. Josephus Hewett
23—Miss Beckner.
——Higdon.
24—M. Goldstein.
25—Thos. McCarroll.
Abraham Buckles.
27—John M. Bullock.
Son of Jas. Brown.
Frederick Macreary.
29—Dickinson Macreary.
Wm. G. O'Neil.
Son of A. Gube.
30—Thos. Hewett.

... NOVEMBER ...

1—Gordon R. Wilkins.
2—Child of M. Reim.
Mrs. Thos. McCarroll.
2—Gen. Rob. Stanton.
4—Mrs. John W. Barr.
Son of R. J. Henderson.
Clarke.*
Jas. Slattery.*
Dingh. Ant. Hoe.
11—Jas. Cane.
12—Eustus Minges.
13—Child W. B. Quigley*

The foregoing list contains the names of white persons only. It sums up the large number of 350. In addition, the returns show the interment within the same period of 32 negroes. The aggregate is as follows:

	Yellow fever.	Other dis.	Not rep'd.
Whites....	317	33	20
Negroes....	44	17	21
	361	50	41

Total number of interments 452.

The newspaper record of some of the smallpox deaths in Natchez, 1853. This article is found on the inside front cover of Will Bk 3, 2 pages.

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KÖLN (DOM), 2[illegible] Juli 19[illegible]

Sehr geehrter Herr Brennan!

Eine Taufe Hubert Nicolaus Schnorrenberg ist in Ausfuhrung des Dawes nicht vermerkt. Ich habe Ihre Unterlagen [illegible] an das Einwohnermeldeamt der Stadt Köln, [illegible], weitergeleitet.

Mit freundlichem Gruss

Wilhelm Kleff, Dompfarrer

Katholisches Pfarramt
St. Pantaleon

5 Köln, den 29.7.64
Am Pantaleonsberg 2
Telefon 3 66 55

Hubert Nicolaus Schnorrenberg, geboren am 2o.November 1823, ehelicher Sohn von Gerhard Schnorrenberg und Helena Theresia geb. Breuer, wurde am 21. November 1823 in St.Pantaleon getauft. (Jr.Nr. 167o) Taufpaten: Nikolaus Schnorrenberg und Bartholomäus Schnorrenberg und Anna Theresia Schnorrenberg geb. Bongnigs.

Katholisches Pfarramt St. Pantaleon Köln

Postscheckkonto Köln 8292
Girokonto Stadtsparkasse 6514

The record from Cologne, France for Hubert Nicolaus Schnorrenberg

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Top:

CATHEDRAL office of The Priests

Address

Phone #

Date

A record of the birth of Hubert Nicolaus Schnorrenberg is not recorded in the baptismal record of The CATHEDRAL. I have sent your correspondence to the Court House in Cologne – THE Department of Documents.

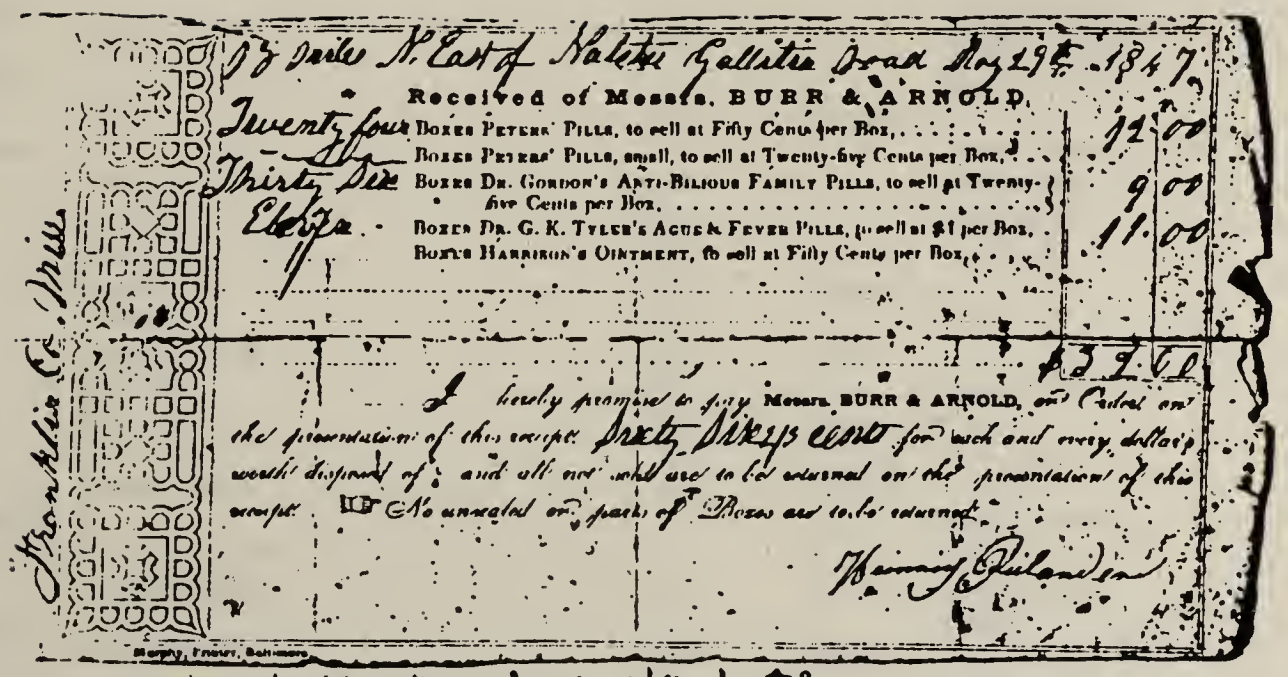
Signed by a Priest

Top:

Catholic Clergy House address

Hubert Nicolaus Schnorrenberg, born on November 20, 1823, an early son of Gerhard Schnorrenberg and Helena Theresia, maiden name Breuer, was baptized on November 21, 1823 in St. Pantaleon (registration (?) # 1670). Godparents: Nikolaus Schnorrenberg and Bartholomäus Schnorrenberg and Anna Theresia Schnorrenberg born Bongnigs

Translation of the record from Cologne, France for Hubert Nicolaus Schnorrenberg



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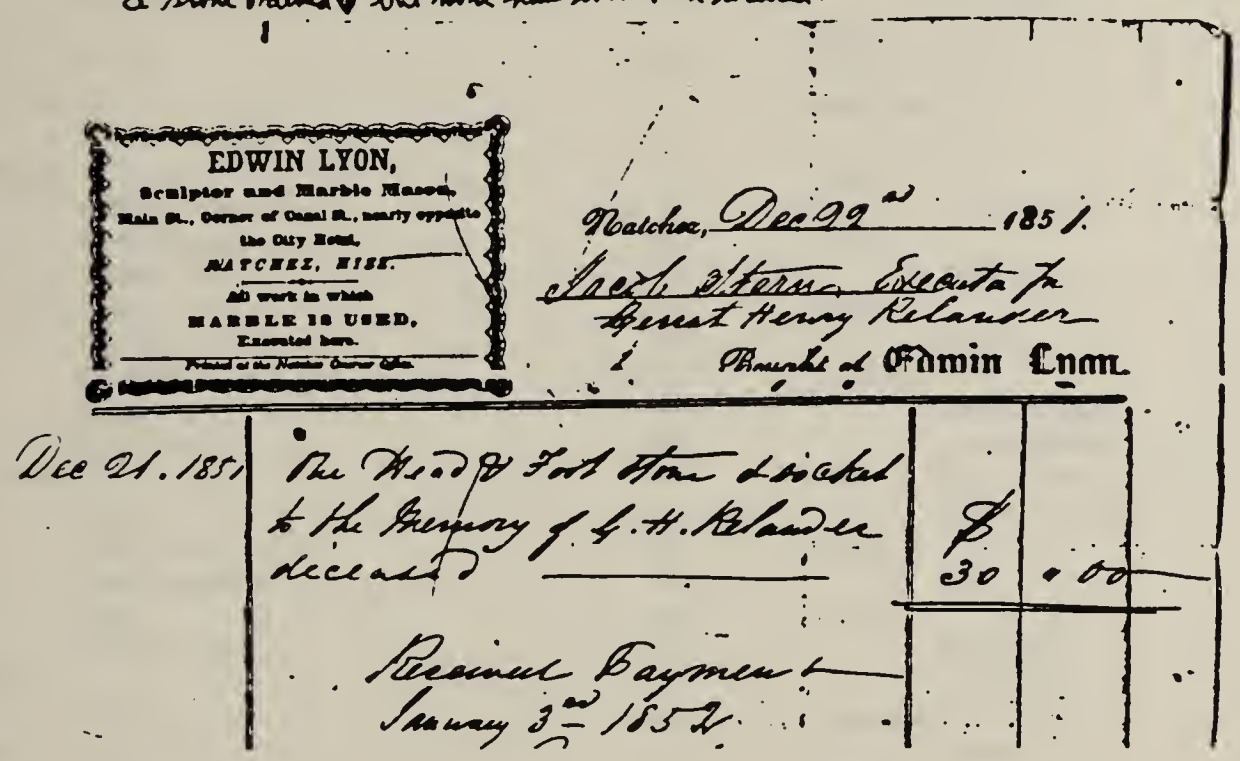

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Sculptor and Marble Mason,
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Natchez, Dec 22nd 1851.

Jacob Stern Executor for Gerrit Henry Relander

Bought of Edwin Lyon.

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